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## THOUSANDS LOG ON TO SEE BRAWL

SHOCKING footage of an illegal bare knuckle fight between two shirtless fighters has been posted online.

The five-minute clip shows the two men exchange dozens of crushing blows, watched on by a blood-thirsty mob.

The Bill Wright and Charlie Rumble' video, posted on Sunday, January 18, has so far drawn more than 5,000 views.

A second, longer video of the same fight has been watched more than 3.000 times.

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#### **EXCLUSIVE**

BY **SIMON ROBINSON** 

Friday afternoon, police said they were aware of the clips and had launched a full investigation into the pre-arranged scrap.

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The daylight fight takes place at Barnfield, near Chatham Golf Centre and the Coney Banks playing fields.

More than 50 onlookers circle the fighters as they square off – screaming words of encouragement as the fists begin to fly.



After a few minutes of the fight the taller fighter, wearing grey tracksuit bottoms and black trainers, lands a

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#### **YOUNG SCALLY JAILED**

The son of Gillingham Football Club chairman Paul Scally has been jailed for two years after breaking a fellow schoolboy's jaw.

Max Scally, 17, pictured with his father, 52, outside Maidstone Crown

Max Scally, 17, pictured with his father, 52, outside Maidstone Crown Court on Monday, attacked his victim at a house party in July 2007, hitting him in the face before stamping on him as he lay stricken on the floor. The injured boy – who cannot be named for legal reasons – needed two

The injured boy – who cannot be named for legal reasons – needed t metal plates to re-align his jaw, which was broken in two places.

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Scally was found guilty of causing grievous bodily harm.

The court heard how Scally struck out at the boy at a party held to mark the end of the academic year. The pair had clashed two months prior to the party as the victim was dating one of Scally's ex-girlfirends. Judge Andrew Patience sentenced Scally to two years imprisonment in a young offenders' institution.

Paul Scally was in the public gallery when the sentence was handed out.

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# Tories defend plans to cut schools fund

#### BY SIMON ROBINSON

A ROW over school funding has broken out between Medway's Labour and Conservative groups.

Labour MP Jonathan Shaw lit the fuse by claiming Tory plans to cut £4.5 billion from the Government's Building Schools for the Future programme would see plans to rebuild or refurbish the towns' crumbling schools scrapped.

The Chatham and Aylesford MP said the funding cut would affect 19 schools in Medway and 122 in Kent.

But Medway Council's Conservative group hit back at Mr Shaw's claims, saying the government has refused to hand the authority BSF cash – forcing the council to provide new school buildings as part of the academies scheme.

Speaking after the Conservatives announced spending cuts last week, Mr Shaw said: "The Government has announced plans to get local authorities like Medway and Kent involved in BSF as quickly as possible so they can get on with rebuilding their schools, but the Tories would put the whole scheme in jeopardy.

"Our area will bear the brunt of cuts with so many schools losing out on this historic opportunity to be rebuilt or fully refurbished.

"That's why I'm determined to fight these outrageous plans, which will hit our area hard.

"BSF is not just about having new or refurbished buildings, but making sure children and teachers have modern, first class teaching and learning facilities and creating an environment in which learning can thrive."

Medway Council's children's services boss Les Wicks refuted Mr Shaw's views, saying: "Under the BSF programme the Labour Government has



**NO CASH:** Jonathan Shaw fears funding cuts will inhibit the refurbishment of our schools

not rebuilt or refurbished any secondary schools in Medway.

"In fact, the Government has refused to give us money under this scheme. So Medway Council has gone it alone and is providing new buildings and state of the art facilities under the academies scheme.

"Mr Shaw's confusion is apparent in the way he's misrepresented Conservative proposals.

"By adapting the BSF scheme, we advocate having new academy schools which reflect the needs of teenagers in the 21st century, which provide a variety of provisions and will particularly transform the performance of those who are currently underachieving.

"This Conservative approach is a common policy we share with many politicians in Parliament. However, the MP lacks the vision to understand and support the changes needed."

## yourmedway NEWS IN BRIEF

## Towns are top of the lottery windfall list

MEDWAY has held on to its tag as the luckiest Lotto locale in the UK – heading the top ten windfall hotspots list for the second year in a row.

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The ME postcode held off strong competition from Ilford and Romford in Essex to keep top spot, with one in every 5,717 eligible Medway players scooping a huge cash sum.

National Lottery figures show Medway punters have raked in more than £94 million in top prizes since the balls started rolling in 1994.

A National Lottery spokeswoman said: "Congratulations to Medway for holding on to the top spot."

## Learn about climate change at free talk

A FREE lecture looking into climate change will be held at the University of Greenwich at Medway tonight.

Dr Andrew Haggart's talk will focus on questions such as how will climate change affect our lives, how human activity has altered the earth's climate and what kind of world will our grandchildren inherit.

The talk will be given at the Permbroke Building, Central Avenue, Chatham Maritime, starting at 6.30pm.

Admission is by ticket only. To book e-mail science-queries@gre.ac.uk or call 020 83319800.

## Air Ambulance gives out £25,000 prize

LOTTO winner Lorrane Brookes is trying to keep herself grounded after scooping £25,000 in the Kent Air Ambulance superdraw.

Ambulance superdraw.

Mrs Brookes, from Chatham, said she could not believe her ears when she received a call to say she had won the top prize.

She will be presented with her cheque at KAA's Marden headquarters today and will also get the chance to meet the air ambulance crew.

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## Teenager fought to protect his family

#### BY SIMON ROBINSON

SCHOOLBOY Jack Blanchard was forced into the horrific fight that left him with permanent brain damage, his mother has revealed.

The promising Rainham Mark Grammar School pupil fought Howard School pupil Jordan Akehurst in Parkwood Green last year. The clash was thought to have been set up as

the pair had been dubbed the 'hardest' boys at their rival schools. But mum Maxine, from Rainham, said her son was given no choice but to face thug Akehurst - after receiving threat-

ening texts from other yobs.

The 47-year-old said: "The reason Jack attended this fight was because, unbeknown to me, he had been getting threatening text messages over a period of time.
"He was told 'Akehurst knows where you live

and will come and brick your house if you don't come'. His younger sister and I were in the house and he was scared for us.'

The Rainham Mark Grammar School pupil was felled by two punches to the head. At this



point an assault began. Footage captured on a mobile phone shows Akehurst, 14, and fellow Howard School pupil Dylan Richards, 15, kick and stamp on Jack's head as the teenager



GUILTY: Jordan Akehurst and Dylan Richards have been jailed for their part in the attack, filmed on a mobile phone, left

lays curled up on the ground. Both were jailed at Maidstone Crown Court last week after pleading guilty to GBH at an earlier hearing.

Akehurst was jailed for four years while Richards received an 18-month sentence.

A third boy - who cannot be named - escaped with a community sentence with two years supervision and a three-month curfew for his lesser role in the attack.

The court heard how Jack spent ten days in a coma. He then spent ten weeks in a neurological rehabilitation centre attached to King's College Hospital, London, trying to rebuild his life following the assault on July 23, 2008.

Eleanor Laws, prosecuting, added: "It has

changed his personality – he is demotivated, disinterested in social interaction and shows little emotion. And his performance IQ is now in the lower range.

Distraught witnesses described blood pouring from Jack's nose as the medical team worked on his limp body for 15 minutes.

Judge Jeremy Carey added: "An adult pass-

ing by found the victim lying on the floor bleeding heavily from the nose. She made him comfortable before the ambulance arrived.

All three defendants fled the scene but were arrested months later when the mobile phone clip – passed around among the teenagers who watched the fight - was handed to police.

### **Judge says Kelly** wasn't working

SACKED Britain's Got Talent judge Kelly Brook was removed from the show because she failed to fit in, according to fellow panellist Piers Morgan.

The glamour girl, 29, who was born in Rochester and lives in Grafty Green, near Maidstone, was hired as a fourth judge for the hit ITV1 series, but axed after just six days.

Morgan told a national newspaper it was a mistake to hire her and claims boss.

Simon Cowell was right to act so quickly.

He said: "You don't want to damage the brand trying to flog something that isn't

"It would have been worse if we'd got to the end of the audition process and the

show wasn't very good.
"I felt for her. She got parachuted in at the last minute and she was getting better each day. She could have done the job with a bit more time. It's just that a fourth judge confused everybody.

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### **Street fight** under police investigation

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number of heavy punches, leaving his opponent with blood pouring down his cheek. The man in grey also connects with a right kick, sending the other sprawling. After four more minutes the tall

fighter gives in, raising his hand as the shorter fighter comes towards him. They shake hands before turning to walk away

More than 20 YouTube members have posted comments the clip.

One wrote: "Apparently the reason Bill gave up is because he had blood in his mouth and couldn't breathe... Good fight, hoping for another."

Detective Chief Inspector Dom-inic Kilbride said: "What is con-cerning is that the people involved clearly do not realise the risk attached to bare knuckle fighting.

"If anyone has any information call us on 01634 792123 or Kent Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111." Medway boxing coach Charlie Rumble, who trains young hopefuls

at The Grange amateur boxing club in Thanet, denied he was involved in the brawl. When asked about the clips, he said: "It's definitely not me. I'm 55 years old, why would I get involved in that?"

## No comment from bishop over racist segregation claims

THE Bishop of Rochester has refused to comment on an accusation he is "promoting racial segregation".

The claim comes from researchers at a Manchester university who say race relations in Britain are under threat from a series of ill-informed

Using previously unpublished evidence, Professor Ludi Simpson and Dr Nissa Finney show how repeated falsehoods about immigration, integration and segregation are misguiding policy and promoting racial

After years of investigation, the rater years of investigation, the pair say in their book, Sleepwalking to Segregation? Challenging Myths about Race and Migration, that they found no evidence "whatsoever" for the existence of race ghettos in the UK. In fact, they say the opposite is true, with increasing ethnic mixing.

And claims by head of equalities watchdog Trevor Phillips that Britain is "sleepwalking" into racial and religious segregation are also dismissed in the book. By linking social problems to segregated areas, they say, politicians have stigmatised the areas and their residents

The authors also provide evidence that areas with large populations of Muslims do not act as a breeding ground' for terrorism.

Prof Simpson said: "By propagating myths using bogus and alarmist interpretations of population interpretations of population change, individuals such as Trevor Phillips, Dr Michael Nazir-Ali, Bishop of Rochester and Sir Andrew Green, Chair of Migration Watch, are inadvertently promoting racial

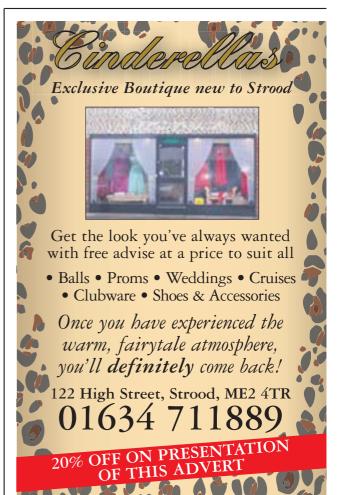
segregation.

"Misunderstanding breeds mistrust and division between ethnic

and religious groups."

A year ago Dr Nazir-Ali, Britain's only Asian bishop, said Islamic extremists had created no-go areas in Britain where it was too dangerous for non-Muslims to enter.

A spokesman for the bishop said: "I don't think we have anything to add at this stage.



yourmedway **NEWS** IN BRIEF

#### Witnesses sought to car crash after man dies

A MOTORIST who died in a car crash in Cuxton has been named as John Anthony

Mr Perkins, 42, of no fixed address, was killed after losing control of his black Peugeot 306 on the Rochester Road at 9pm on January 18 and veering into a fence.
He was pronounced dead at the scene.

Police are asking witnesses to call the serious collision investigation unit on 01622 798538.

#### **Unsung hero recognised** with visit to Number 10

PARISH administrator Janet Pearson was invited to a Downing Street reception held in honour of the UK's unsung heroes.

Janet was invited to Number 10 for her work at Christ Church and her tireless contribution to community life in Chatham.

MP Jonathan Shaw also made the trip to Prime Minister Gordon Brown's home.

Speaking after the reception, Janet said: "It was a great opportunity to meet so many unsung heroes from across the UK.'

#### Youths are a good match for police on the pitch

POLICE officers tackled a group of youngsters - in a friendly football match.

Medway officers took on a Woodlands Youth Centre team at Woodlands Road, Gillingham, on January 17. Despite taking an early lead, Woodlands narrowly lost 6-5 in what will become an annual fixture.

Medway Council's youth services manager Geoff Waters said: "We'd like to thank Charlton FC Community Team, who visit weekly to provide a popular sessions.'

#### **Shopping centre blooms** for golden anniversary

A FLORAL exhibition has gone on display at Hempstead Valley - brightening the shopping centre's busy malls.

Rainham Flower Club's work is being shown at the centre as part of nationwide efforts to publicise the golden anniversary of the National Association of Flower Arranging Societies.

The club's Ann Wyatt said: "Rainham Flower Club thought of Hempstead Valley as a perfect venue to stage the exhibit.'

## Dockyard to host forces celebration

#### BY **SIMON ROBINSON**

CHATHAM Historic Dockyard will play host to the first national Armed Forces Day this summer – held to honour our service personnel past, present and future.

The dockyard won the right to stage the day's showcase event after beating off bids from five other hopefuls across the UK.

Armed Forces Day project director Air Commodore Martin Sharp said members of the Royal Family were likely to attend.
Plans for the inaugural event were launched

at the Chatham site on Thursday by Veterans Minister Kevan Jones.

Speaking on board HMS Gannet, the last surviving ship of Queen Victoria's Navy, Mr Jones said: "Our armed forces and veterans deserve the nation's support and recognition. They have made and continue to make sacrifices to ensure the interests of our country are defended, this is our chance to say thank you.

"We're encouraging all communities to put on some type of event in recognition of their armed forces. They form an integral part of the community, and this day enables us to show our appreciation of them."

The dockyard has more than 400 years of military history and this year is celebrating its



**LAUNCH:** Many are looking forward to the event

25th anniversary of becoming a trust, working to ensure its maritime heritage is protected.

Admiral Sir Ian Garnett, chairman of the Chatham Historic Dockyard Trust, said: "It is both an honour and a privilege for the Historic Dockyard to be the venue for the UK's first National Armed Forces Day.

"This day will allow us to recognise the enormous contribution made by those who worked in this dockyard and the other military bases around the country."

Robin Green, who was at the launch, was one of the last National Servicemen to enter the RAF and served from 1960-62. He said: "This will provide a boost to morale amongst the armed forces. It is good to know our hard work and efforts are being recognised.'





See the launch of Armed Forces Day. Search 'dockyard'.



## Upbeat Day's positive message

STUDENTS at three Medway universities celebrated President Obama's inauguration together.

Undergraduates from the Universities at Medway – Canterbury Christ Church, Kent and Greenwich – took part in a range of activities and workshops on Tuesday's Upbeat Day, which saw Mr Obama sworn in as the USA's 44th president.

Canterbury Christ Church at Medway campus tutor Jae Fowler said: "The day was a huge success and extremely well attended. The Universities at Medway attract a broad spectrum of students from a variety of social, cultural and ethnic backgrounds and therefore, it was extremely appropriate for us to mark the historic inaugu-

ration of Barack Obama in this positive way."
University of Greenwich at Medway first year engineering student Mick Haworth said: "The events have been outstanding and the entire atmosphere on campus has been charged with excitement and general positivity.

"In this day and age there is a real tendency to focus on the negative side of life, so to attend an Upbeat Day, particularly on such an auspicious occasion, proved uplifting and refreshing."

Canterbury Christ Church at Medway second year Midwifery student Michelle De Silva added: I shall always remember where I was on the day President Obama was inaugurated."

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**DETERMINED:** London Mayor Boris Johnson is still keen to see his island airport idea made into a reality

## **Boris convinced** island airport is a practical idea

LONDON Mayor Boris Johnson set sail in a converted dredger to survey the site of his proposed airport off the coast of Sheppey.

And after returning from the Thames Estuary location where he wants to develop the so-called Boris Island, he outlined his plans for the £40 billion scheme.

The plan entails splitting the airport in half, with runways placed on two separate islands in the mouth of the Thames. Passengers would shuttle between the islands in a tunnel below the river bed, running from Essex to Kent.

He was accompanied on his trip to a point two miles offshore from Sheerness by Douglas Oakervee, who masterminded the engineering of Hong Kong's international island airport in the 90s.

The scheme would be "simpler to build than Hong Kong" according to Mr Oakervee, the study's lead engineer and chairman of Crossrail.

Mr Johnson restated his plans for Boris Island two weeks after the Government approved a third runway at Heathrow. He vowed to continue to oppose the expansion of the UK's biggest airport and confirmed he aims to mount a legal challenge against the decision within weeks.

The proposals for the offshore airport call for two estuary terminals which would be

#### BY NICK AMES

served by road and rail links.

The larger terminal, in Kent, would be connected to Crossrail and the high-speed Channel Tunnel Rail Link, taking passengers to central London in about 35 minutes.

According to Mr Oakervee, the location in the estuary, rather than on the mud flats, means the risk of bird strikes would be low.

Mr Johnson said he felt "reassured" that the scheme was practical.

'Coming here has put paid to talk of a fantasy island. You get a sense of just how far the airport would be from the shore.

"I'm convinced this is an option we should look at seriously and the Government's deci-

sion on Heathrow makes it all the more urgent that we came up with alternatives."

But Kent County Council leader Paul Carter said he would fight any proposals to build an airport off the coast.

He said: "Environmentally and ecologically it's a very bad idea to build an airport off one of the most beautiful coastlines in the South East. To say it will be an eyesore is the understatement of the year. It would be totally horrendous.

The £40 billion price tag would include extending the high-speed rail network, widening and extending the M2 and extending Crossrail. It compares with a £13 billion estimate for the Heathrow option

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#### Jobs cuts at arts campus

UP TO 80 employees at the University of Creative Arts face losing their job, it has been

University chiefs have ring-marked a range of departments for cutbacks following an in-depth review of its five campuses.

A spokesman said UCA bosses were work-

ing to "reduce its operational costs" in the face of the on-going economic downturn.

It is thought the cutbacks could save the

university, formerly known as the Kent Institute of Art and Design, in the region of

A UCA statement read: "Along with the majority of UK universities, UCA is working to reduce its operational costs in order to secure its long-term sustainability and invest in the student learning experience."

UCA, which has campuses in Maidstone, Rochester, Canterbury, Epsom and Farnham, employs 840 workers.

#### In the market for award

ROCHESTER Farmers' Market has been shortlisted in the Taste of Kent Awards.

The monthly market will go up against Cliftonville and Shipbourne for the title of the county's best farmers' market.

Medway Council's economic growth chief Jane Chitty said: "This is wonderful news. The importance of these awards is that the public chooses those nominated. People are more aware of where food comes from and the options available, and visitors to the market recognise quality, choice and value.

The next market is on Sunday, February 15.

#### **Health MP visits hospital**

SHADOW health secretary Andrew Lansley dropped into Medway Maritime Hospital as part of a tour of Medway.

The Cambrideshire South MP met staff on Kingfisher ward, one of six wards to pioneer the national productive ward initiative, on Thursday. He heard how the scheme was helping to give nurses more time to spend on patient care, improving safety and efficiency.
The MP was also told about Medway NHS

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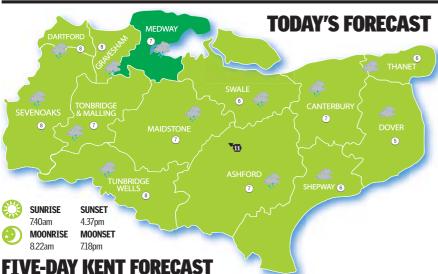
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| Cardiff    | 7°C  | Tokyo      | 9°C  |
| Gibraltar  | 14°C | Vancouver  | 3°C  |
| Hong Kong  | 13°C | Warsaw     | 3°C  |
| Las Palmas | 18°C | Wellington | 24°C |



**DONATION:** from left to right: assistant fund-raising manager Erica Dockwray, Chief Inspector Des Keers and fund-raising manager Linda Phillips with the cheque

#### Vital donation to help fund Cerebral Palsy Care centre

CHARITABLE coppers have raised more than £1,500 for the Medway-based Cerebral Palsy Care centre.

Medway police staff raised the sum in a special auction, held at their annual ball at the Corn Exchange in Rochester.

Lots were donated by Medway businesses, MPs and other agencies.

Chief Inspector Des Keers handed a cheque to Cerebral Palsy Care fund-raisers at their Cliffe Woods base earlier this week.

He said: "I would like to thank all the people and businesses who donated prizes for the charity raffle. Without their support and the generosity of the staff from Medway police this presentation wouldn't have been possible."

The centre, used by 38 children and more than 40 adults, needs £250,000 in funding each year to keep it open.

Fund-raising manager Linda Phillips said: "Every penny we raise is a bonus so to receive this money is wonderful."

Anyone interested in raising money for the centre is asked to call 01634 220330.



#### **QUESTION** & ANSWER

### TIM LUCKHURST



#### Tell us about yourself.

I'm 45, happily married with four children and support Partick Thistle and Chelsea football clubs. I entered the world of journalism, which had always been my ambition, in 1988.

#### Can you tell us about your career in journalism?

I'm a former editor of The Scotsman. I began my career on BBC Radio 4's Today Programme for which I produced, edited and reported from the UK and abroad. I covered the Romanian Revolution and the First Gulf War for BBC Radio and reported on the liberation of Kosovo and the fall of Slobodan Milosevic for the Scotsman. I was the BBC's Washington producer during the first year of the Clinton presidency and returned to the UK to become a senior member of the team that designed and launched BBC Radio Five Live. I won two Sony Radio Awards for news broadcasting and I write about topics including politics, media and motorcycling for publications including the Guardian, Independent, Times, Toronto Globe and Mail, Los Angeles Times and The New Republic.

#### Now different is journalism now to 'traditional' journalism?

I think the best journalism available today is better than anything before, however it is submerged in a sea of dross. There are thousands of blogs and magazines available now but not enough investigative and analytical journalism. We need more, better trained journalists.

#### How strong is the journalism course offered by the University of Kent?

The National Council for the Training of Journalists says our course sets the benchmark for others to follow and we feel it's one of the best in Britain if not the world. We're not being arrogant, none of the lecturers would have given up working in real newsrooms for a second-rate course. We believe we are producing high standards of training and the number and quality of applications we receive from across the globe is testament to that. Next year's intake includes candidates from as far as Hong Kong and as close as Medway and that's what we want. A great newsroom is made up of different people from different backgrounds coming together and learning from each other.

#### What skills are needed to become a good journalist?

A first-rate mind to investigate and analyse, a healthy disregard for authority and a complete commitment to democracy and the freedom of information. Journalists also have to be entertaining and have a sense of humour.

#### What are the main misconceptions of journalists?

The worst public misconception is that journalists are trouble makers who report trivia.

Journalism at its best is a vital service to democracy which enables readers to make independent choices and hold power to account.

#### How do you foresee the world of journalism changing in the next ten years?

The digital world offers huge possibilities. We teach students online, video and text journalism. The main challenge to the industry is how to pay for good journalism across these digital formats. Websites cannot afford to pay for good foreign correspondents or investigative journalists, whereas traditional newspapers can. When the digital world is able to find an economic model for this I think the industry will change.

#### What do you think makes a good story?

A good story is often something which people do not expect, did not know was going to happen or something really important. 'Man bites dog' is much better than 'dog bites man'. At the same time a story which is really important and something people do not expect, for example someone in a position of authority betraying the public trust. Journalists need to find out what other people do not want other people to know.

#### Anything you'd like to add?

Anyone interested in the BA in journalism can visit www.centreforjournalism.co.uk or come along to the Chatham Maritime campus.

The internationally experienced journalist and professor at the University of Kent spoke to **Simon Robinson** about the course it offers and the state of the media industry in the online age.







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## The sky's the limit for your special one

BY JON COATES

WE HAVE found the ultimate present for your Valentine - a helicopter lesson.

Kent is lucky enough to have one of the best helicopter pilot training schools in the UK.

AV8 Helicopters, at Rochester Airport, offers introductory flying lessons so you can experience the thrill of taking control of a helicopter.

So if you're looking to sweep your Valentine off their feet, this could be the answer. I went along to Rochester Airport this week for a 30minute introductory flight to find out more.

Experiencing a mix of excitement and trepidation, I was introduced to my instructor Richard Cooke, 61, and immediately relieved to find myself in safe hands.

He introduced me to the Robinson R22 helicopter we would be going up in and I was stunned by how small it was.

This is the most popular aircraft for training pilots as it is very light and therefore sensitive to the touch.

Richard first explained the three flying con- ${
m trols}$  – the cyclic stick used to speed up, slow down and go left or right, the collective lever used to make the craft rise or fall and two foot pedals used to control the tail rotor.

For the trial flight you only take control of the cyclic stick in flight, but it's good to understand the basics before taking off.

Richard stressed how sensitive the stick is and explained where we would be flying and that once we were levelled out and settled in to a cruise the controls would be passed to me.

The Robinson R22 has a perspex canopy (the



MIND BLOWING: Jon Coates takes to the sky in a truly unforgettable experience flying a helicopter

front windscreen) stretching down to near your feet, which gives an incredible view and makes you feel like you're floating on air.

It was an amazing feeling just lifting off with the whole of Medway stretching in front of me as we headed towards Leeds Castle. Then after just a few minutes I gripped the control stick and was flying.

Despite the safety warnings I immediately sent us veering off to the right. But Richard soon corrected me and I managed to keep a straight course, which is the aim of the introductory lesson. As I relaxed and my confidence grew I was able to look around and take in the stunning views, having been blessed with clear blue skies on a rare sunny winter day.

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### **Finishing school** to help motivate our youngsters

TROUBLESOME teenagers are being

invited to clean up their act by attending a modern-day version of a finishing school.

Shy youngsters and those with low self-esteem have also taken part in the Brand You Experience, which aims to help school leavers prepare for working life through a series of motivational workshops.

The scheme, which started in Dover last year and is now being extended to Maidstone, is a joint initiative between Kent County Council and mentoring and coaching organisation Beyond Excellence.

Project leader Dean Martin said: "Some of the schools used the course as a means of rewarding pupils who weren't troublemakers but who rarely shined in the classroom. But then we had some who were bouncing off the walls and others who had very low opinions of themselves and perhaps weren't receiving the right support at home."

The next Brand You Experience course runs for five days from Monday, February 16, at Bradbourne House, East Malling, Maidstone. Each session runs from 9.30am until 3.30pm daily, and Mr Martin is encouraging potential employers to visit and offer their support to the youngsters. He said: "We have found from talking to

young people and employers that they are often poles apart in what they expect from each other.

For more details on the scheme call Mr Martin on 01843 844939.



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## Anglers unite to tackle 'outrageous' EU scheme

#### BY STEVE KNIGHT

EU PLANS to limit the amount of fish amateur anglers can catch will harm the shops and businesses that rely on the popular hobby, say opponents.

Boat charter companies, tackle shops and other businesses could suffer unless the European Union withdraws what many insiders believe is an unfair ruling for recreational fishermen in the UK.

The plans are aimed at clamping down on Continental fishermen who use large nets to gather fish to feed their families

If the EU does not back down, skippers who take tourists on sea-angling trips off Kent's coast and those who fish from piers will have to abide by the same quota rules as commercial fishermen throughout Europe.

Kent Charter Fishing owner Dave Hancock said: "This could slaughter our business, but



**CAUGHT OUT:** UK anglers are upset at planned quotas

we may have no choice but to deal with it.

"It would make life very difficult and mean we would have to fish for different species and record every catch, which would be a big hassle. If you put our catches beside the amount caught by commercial fishermen, the numbers are insignificant. It doesn't seem fair. We want things to stay the way they are."

Kent MEP Daniel Hannan, who is a member of the European Parliament's committee on fisheries, said: "It's outrageous that they

anglers. When large-scale commercial fishing in places such as Margate dried up, people started taking tourists out on angling trips on boats instead.

"For them to have to register their catch is preposterous. But I think there's a reasonable chance of stopping this going through. I'm fairly confident we'll be able to fix it."

About 1.4 million people enjoy sea fishing off Britain, creating about 20,000 jobs in the process. The newly-formed Angling Trust has promised to fight the new proposals all the way and is encouraging recreational fisher-men to contact their MEPs.

Member Leon Roskilly said: "We would like

the two sectors [commercial and recreational] to be regulated differently and more appropriately, because if this goes through it will have a hell of an impact.

"We're having meetings with Defra and the European Anglers' Alliance. There's been a furore over this - whoever came up with this regulation can't have imagined they would receive such a reaction.

### **Police frustration** at violent crime statistical error

A LEADING Kent police officer has voiced "frustration" over the force's misreporting of serious violent crimes in the county.

Kent Police were among 18 forces that had incorrectly counted the numbers of the most serious offences such as murder and grievous bodily harm (GBH) due to a change in Home Office guidance.

The county constabulary was forced to suspend serious violent offences statistics from its

crime figures for the third quarter of 2008.
Acting Assistant Chief Constable Peter West said: "It is frustrating, in so much as when there are new crime recording and differences introduced and the guidance that goes with it, it takes a period of settling down.

"We have suspended our figures because of applying the wrong interpretation to the guidelines, but we will know the figures before the end of the financial year," Mr West added.

"Serious violent crime was 6.3 per cent of our total - 1,277 out of 20,204 - and when we have gone through every one with the most recent guidance, every indication is that the figure

He said the changes did not alter the fact that violent crime in the county was falling. Kent showed a nine per cent reduction in total violent crime

### Innovative midwives rewarded by reduction in caesarean rates

MIDWIVES in Kent have developed an idea that has seen caesarean section rates drop by

Concerns have been raised that caesarean rates, which had doubled in 10 years, are too high and the NHS has been working to ensure more women have normal births

Sarah Gregson, a consultant midwife for Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust, entered her team into the Royal College of Midwives (RCM) annual awards in the innovation category.

They arranged for the midwife caring for a woman in labour to fill in a form every hour noting information such as changes of position and keeping the woman upright. Midwives also encourage different support strategies, such as using water.

And their work, which has cut caesarian rates, was placed in the UK top three at a cer-

emony at the Royal Garden Hotel in London. The audit tool, devised in 2003 by a group of

midwives led by Hilary Thomas at Pembury Hospital, was used again during 2007-08.

Mrs Gregson said: "C-section rates have doubled across the UK but we have not been saving more mothers or babies because of it.
"Maternity services are looking at how we

can increase normal births because there are health benefits for both mother and child."

Research shows that women who give birth normally are more likely to breast feed, which is best for the newborn. During the second trial of the audit, caesarean rates dropped by two per cent overall from 26 per cent of births in 2007 to 23.4 per cent in 2008.

Mrs Gregson said that while C-sections were important for women experiencing serious complications or with medical conditions, many were being carried out unnecessarily.

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#### **Question Time is a** Shaw way to learn

PUBLIC services students at MidKent College grilled MP Jonathan Shaw during a Question Time-style event.

The students, based at the college's Horsted site, picked the Chatham and Aylesford MP's brains as part of a government and politics unit.

Mr Shaw, who launched the college's public services courses in 1997, talked to the students about his role, what it means to be British, key government debates, justice and democracy.

The Regional Minister for the South East said: "It is justice and democracy that allow us our right to live as free citizens, without fear.

"In Britain and Northern Ireland this justice and democracy is organised in part by the public services you hope to join: the police, the fire service, the army and the prison service.

"We should not underestimate the importance of these jobs, and courses like this one, which help young people to prepare for these vital roles."

Mr Shaw delivered a short presentation to the students before the session was left open for questions.

Student Charlie Morris, 16, from the Isle of Sheppey said: "I've certainly learned a lot about local and national government from his visit.



FUNDRAISERS: (L to R) Rochester Math School's deputy head boy Sam Day, Rochester Grammar's head girl Charlotte Wabe, Fort Pitt Grammar School's head girl Hollyann Jeffreys

## Students' partying will send terminally ill to Disneyland

CHARITABLE party planners at three Medway grammar schools came together to help raise more than £4,000 for Demelza House.

Rochester Grammar School's head girl Charlotte Wabe, Fort Pitt Grammar School's head girl Hollyann Jeffreys and Rochester Math School's deputy head boy Sam Day helped coordinate the pre-Christmas bash at Amadeus nightclub in aid of the Sittingbourne hospice.

The night proved a hit with their peers, with more than 1,500 sixth form students filling the Strood club on Monday, December 22.

The talented trio and head boys and girls from more than ten Medway schools handed over a cheque to Demelza on Sunday, January 18.

#### BY **Simon Robinson**

Charlotte said she was thrilled their student disco had raised so much money for the hos-

She said: "The money raised is going towards a project at Demelza House which intends to send several terminally ill children at the hospice to Disneyland.

"We feel this is a fantastic project and we are incredibly pleased to have supported it.

"As young people who receive so many opportunities, we wanted to make a difference in the lives of those people who we can identify with."

The teenagers' efforts have been praised by Medway Council bosses.

Children's services chief Les Wicks said:

"What a great achievement for these young people. The Christmas party was a creative way of getting everybody together to enjoy the festive period, but was also a brilliant chance to raise money for charity.

"Sam, Charlotte, Hollyann and all their friends should be very proud of themselves.'

Medway Council's director of children and adults Rose Collinson added: "A special thank you to Sam, Charlotte and Hollyann who organised the event from the beginning.

"Big events like these demand star leadership and this student team certainly gave that. Well done to them.

"Demelza House provides vital support to children and their families and I know it will value this New Year donation and make very good use of it."

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## Let's hope the new high speed trains are a fare ride for us all

I CAN appreciate during the current financial crisis train fares going up is not ideal and this is the last thing Medway commuters need.

We are all feeling the squeeze at the moment and from reports I have read in this paper some people are not taking this lying down.

One commuter felt so strongly he has even set up a website to allow Medway commuters to air their views.

From what I read, one of main reasons why a lot of Medway commuters find it hard to accept fare rises, is they are still not able to get a seat on the busy Cannon Street and Victoria services from both Gillingham and Chatham.

As I work in London and live in Rochester I sometimes make the short journey to Chatham and use the Cannon Street services and most of the time I end up in the same boat and find it very difficult to get a seat.

There were many occasions when I found

myself sitting on the floor of a Cannon Street service in 2008.

We could come up with several suggestions for train companies to increase capacity but whether any would work is debatable and I'm sure many have been discussed over the years.

Now unless you have been living thousands of miles away for the last few years you would have noticed that Southeastern plan to bring in high speed services to London from December 2009, in 12 months time.

The new high speed trains will boast capacity, reduce journey times and provide additional London travel opportunities.

But the issue with this service is, what are the fares going to be? Are they going to be considerable higher than current fares and will

commuters actually be prepared to pay them? We don't know how many of our fellow commuters are going to use these new trains and, due to the current financial crisis, it makes you wonder where they are going to find the extra cash from, even if it does mean getting a seat.

One of the great things about Medway is it is an affordable place to live but to have a high speed train that we may not be able to afford will be a difficult choice for many

One thing is for sure, the high speed trains will help put Medway back on the map, will open up new ways of travelling and bring Medway that little bit closer to London, in turn hopefully giving us more leisure time.

I have heard a few people say they think the high speed train could become a white elephant, like the ill-fated Millennium Dome.

I really hope this doesn't turn out to be the case as a high speed line is something Britain has needed for a very long time.

Is the future high speed?

Medway commuters it's up to us to decide.

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#### **DECLAN HENRY**

#### **TALK TIME**

The Irish writer and poet talks about his work

Tell us a little about yourself.

I was born in County Sligo, Ireland. I published a collection of stories, Glimpses, in 2007. More recently I've set up www. declanhenry.co.uk, a collection of new and previously published social work and nonfictional articles as well as a fiction section

with a novelette. My work has appeared in magazines and newspapers, and I am a social worker living in Medway.

Tell us about your website.

It is in four categories: social work articles, fiction, non-fiction and poetry. The social work focuses on topics from ADHD to anti-social youth, as well as men tal illness, sex offenders and some

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#### **YOUR LETTERS**



#### Thugs are insane for their cruel violence to animals

I was sickened and outraged to read your front page story last week about dogs being tortured and killed.

I cannot understand what would make anyone in their right mind do such evil things. But maybe that is the point ... these morons are obviously not in their right, if they ever had a mind to start with.

To break the legs and back of, and stab, defenceless puppies is inhuman.

These sick idiots need to be locked up for a very long time, but if they are caught the shame is that they will probably just get a fine and a slap on the wrist, oh ... and a ban' form owning dogs for a few years.

The punishment for the teenage thugs who kicked the golden retriever to death in Chatham will be even more laughable, if they are ever caught. There is no excuse for anyone taking out the rage of their sad existence on animals and it's time the court's started to recognise this.

Sarah Chappell, from Gillingham, by email.

#### Kelly was there as eye candy, not to be clever

It's a shame Simon Cowell has cut Kelly Brook from the judging panel of Britain's Got Talent.

The reasons cited are that she slowed down the pace of the programme and struggled to find something to say ... well what

did Cowell expect?

Kelly is a lovely, downto-earth Medway girl, but she's hardly the sharpest tool in the box.

If he wanted someone with an acid tongue surely he should have recruited another Piers Morgan or cloned him-

The whole point of having Kelly on the panel must have been for a bit of eye candy and for her

to be nice to all the contestants. But I guess they've already got Amanda

Holden to pout and say very little. Mark Hill, from Rainham, by email.

#### Protection unit should have been set up sooner

The move to set up a specialist child protection task force in Medway in the wake of the Baby P neglect case is to be applauded.

But why does it always take a tragedy to prompt action? There should be regular reviews of child protection procedures and

more co-operation between social services in different areas to make sure care is continually improved.

The Baby P case was harrowing for everyone to see, particularly parents, and it's good to see Medway now taking action. But the worry still remains that child protec-

tion will cease to be as much of a priority when Baby P slips from our minds

Claire Fuller from Chatham, by email.

Baby P case at

root of review

to child safety



#### **Gurkha question should** have been answered

The news Joanna Lumley is yet again backing the Gurkhas in their bid to remain in this country without restrictions is obviously good. But why does she need to keep fighting this issue?

It should have been settled ages ago and these brave men given the same rights as everybody else who can come here.

They contribute far more to this country than any number of economic migrants and the Government should be ashamed of the way it is dragging its feet over this.

#### Banks didn't deserve to be given bail out money

The credit crunch has seen a number of unwelcome side issues, one of these is the vast sums of money being paid to bail out

It is pure nonsense as all they can then offer is to lend it back to the taxpayers who forked out in the first place at added interest rates to pay their own wages.

Surely the best option would have been for the Government to offer tax breaks and rebates to people in work.

Why give it to the banks? They caused the problem in the first place.

Jerry Purnell By email

#### Diet cash incentive is a big fat sign of greed

It is ridiculous fat people are being given a cash incentive to slim - why don't they just do it because of a sense of self respect?

They would be healthier and better off as they obviously would not be buying as much

Robert Mountjoy

#### Woolies market plan a great idea for town

The suggestion the redundant Woolworths stores which occupy prominent positions in

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town centres should be converted into markets is an excellent one.

This would enable small traders to have a permanent place in the high streets of major towns and build up their customer base.

It would also be of great benefit to the local economy as the most likely users of such facilities would all come from the immediate area.

A range of new stalls would be an attraction to shoppers as well.

The debate about what to do with the Woolworths sites which remain unused should end now and this excellent suggestion taken up.

#### Club need to use run up to season well

With spring set to come in a month or so it's about time Kent Cricket Club started to build for the season.

Following last year's relegation there is a priority to bring in some top class players? The batting is OK but the bowling could do with

strengthening.
The loss of Yasir Arafat is a grave blow and with the distinct possibility either Amjad Khan or Robbie Joseph – or both – could be involved in the England set up, resources look a little slim to say the least.

So let's see some good signings above all of players who are not just after a quick payday.

> Philip Goodwin By email



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There will be a host of crafting celebrities to entertain, educate and pass on their skills and knowledge over the three days. Stephanie Weightman, from Ideal World and Create & Craft TV and Debbi Moore, expert crafting presenter, will both be running a programme of workshops. Joan Gordon, sewing and craft designer with over 25 years experience, will be hosting a Sewing Clinic for those wishing to pick up all the tricks of the trade and to answer all your sewing queries. Also from Create & Craft TV, Wendie Rhodes will stration lectures covering a huge range of topics.

The world of Guilds and Associations will be represented by The Embroiderers' Guild, The Guild of Silk Painters (Essex branch), Middlesex Federation of Women's Institutes and the Tower Hamlets Idea Store of Learning who will all be giving demonstrations and displays of their members' activities.

Marlene Carr, the Show Manager for this event says: "The London Stitch & Creative Crafts Show is a great day out for both the experienced and the beginner crafter. The wide range of exhibitors offer visitors every conceivable type of crafting product, demonstrations and workshops and with the excellent London ExCeL, we really will have something for everyone at this superb show."

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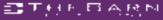
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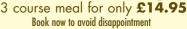
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BIG NAMES: Helen Ryan and Edward Fox are coming to Canterbury for four days of classic comedy at the Marlowe Theatre

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Tuesday to Saturday, February 3-7 Marlowe Theatre, Canterbury

THE British aristocracy stands firm in the face of adversity in comedy classic, Lloyd George Knew My Father.

Film, television and stage legend Edward Fox and distinguished actress Helen Ryan star in William Douglas Home's play, which tells the tale of an eccentric couple whose stately home is threatened by progress. Described as a 'hilarious drawing room comedy', this hugely entertaining production features two great British stars at their best.

The Boothroyd family are facing disaster. It has been announced that a dual carriageway is to be built and the new road will run straight through the grounds of historic

Boothroyd Hall, which welcomed Charles the First as a guest the night before the Battle of Edgehill.

The resolute Lady Boothroyd declares she will kill herself the moment the bulldozers begin their destructive work, but will anyone be able to change her mind?

A member of the highly regarded Fox acting dynasty, Edward has starred in some of film and TV's most notable productions. He appeared alongside Michael Caine, Robert Redford and Sir Laurence Olivier in the 1977 film A Bridge Too Far and also had a role in the Oscar-winning

This is not his first foray into the world of the upper crust – Fox has even portrayed royalty, playing King Edward VIII in the popular 1980 mini-series, Edward and Mrs Simpson, for which he won a BAFTA. But he has also played characters from the other end of the social spectrum, such as the dignified butler Lane in a 2002 film version of Oscar Wilde's The Importance of Being

Earnest, starring Colin Firth and Rupert Éverett.

Helen Ryan has made many stage and radio appearances and on screen she has acted in TV series as diverse as Green Wing and Midsomer Murders. Her film credits include Confetti and the Oscar nominated classic The Elephant Man.

The play's author was the brother of Sir Alec Douglas Home, who became Prime Minister in 1964. William Douglas Home was an aristocrat who began writing plays as a child, studied at RADA and went on to become a successful writer and dramatist. He served as an officer in the Second World War, but was stripped of his rank and sentenced to a year's hard labour after refusing to bomb Le Havre in France, on the grounds the

civilians had not been evacuated.

Performances will be at 7.30pm daily with 2.30pm matinees on Thursday and Saturday. Tickets are priced from £12.50 to £23.50. Book at www.marlowetheatre.com or call the box office on 01227 787787.



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**MILTON JONES** Monday, February 2

Brook Theatre, Chatham

COMEDY fans are invited to spend an evening in the company of the wonderfully surreal Milton Jones.

Since winning best newcomer at the Perrier Awards in 1996, Jones has become the UK's king of bizarre one-liners. Much of his gentle, yet innovative, comedy is based on excruciating puns and clever wordplay, wrong-footing his audience with his crazily inventive gags.

He is a television regular, but is best-known for his extremely popular Radio 4 shows. Each series – The Very World of Milton Jones, The House of Milton Jones and Another Case of Milton Jones – saw the Welsh comic plunged into peril in exotic locations or trying to bluff his way through life as an expert in some area of which he had no knowledge.

Described as 'Britain's funniest Milton', he has gained a cult audience and also earned critical acclaim, with accolades including Time Out and Sony comedy awards.

The show, for over-18s only, starts at 8pm and tickets cost £11 or £10 for Comedy Club members. To book call 01634 338338 or visit www.medway.gov.uk/theatrebookings.





#### PAUL CARRACK Monday, February 2 Orchard Theatre, Dartford

ONE of Britain's greatest pop and soul singers, Paul Carrack, will be visiting Dartford next week.

Known to many as the voice of bands such as Mike and the Mechanics, the Sheffield-born singer and pianist first found fame with Ace, whose single How Long reached the number one

**SPREADING** 

**HER THINLY** 

Wednesday, February 4 Brook Theatre, Chatham spot. He launched his solo career in 1980 and has worked with a multitude of music greats such as Squeeze, The Smiths, Simply Red, Eric Clapton and Elton John. Carrack also worked with Pink Floyd star Roger Waters and sang Hey You at Waters' 1990 Wall concert in Berlin.

His collaboration with Genesis guitarist Mike Rutherford in 1985 was to lead to even more success Mike and

Mechanics, leading to international fame with The Living Years single and

He will be performing songs from his greatest hits album, along with new singles Ain't No Love In The City and I Don't Want To Hear Any More.

The concert starts at 7.45pm and tickets cost £24.50. Call the box office on 01322 220000 or book tickets online at www.orchardthe

hood provide the laughs in hit comedy Spreading Her Thinly. modern mum whether they go out to work

THE demands of mother-

or stay at home to look after the kids – will be able to relate to the dilemmas women encounter these days. Just two actresses play 11 characters, recreating the demanding bosses, impatient teachers, difficult clients and unsupportive relatives many mums will recognise from their own lives.

Irish writer/actress Tracy Forsyth plays, among others, stay-at-home mum Nuala, whose life is compared with

that of working mother-oftwo Jenny, played by Emily Ballantyne.

The show is directed by Tracy's sister, Joy, and was a hit at last year's Brighton

Fringe Festival.
Tracy said: "What we're

trying to say is, leave women alone to decide what is right for them and their families.

The show starts at 7.45pm and tickets cost £10. To book call 01634 338338 or see the website www.medway.gov. uk/theatrebooking.

#### **MEDWAY LEISURE**

#### Jazz up the cold winter with lively Latin band

ESCAPE the English winter with some sizzling Latin, jazz and salsa sounds at the Brook Theatre, Chatham.

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STEP back in time to an unforgettable decade with The Bootleg Sixties Show.

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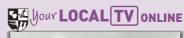
#### Trio promise to jazz up your Sunday with gig

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The band will be in the bar from 2pm to 4pm on Sunday, so music lovers can enjoy a drink while listening to the music. You can also enjoy a carvery lunch first.

Ye Arrow can be found in Boley Hill, off High Street. For more information about the venue call 01634 842709

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PEACOCKS is slashing its prices on selected boots.

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#### **Muchamore happening** at Waterstone's store

author Muchamore will be launching his new book, Henderson's Boys: The Escape, at Bluewater this weekend.

The author of the international best-selling CHERUB series will be signing copies of his new novel, which is the first in a brand new series of spin-off books. He will be appearing at Waterstone's from 1pm on Saturday.

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# Festival excitement builds as early bird tickets arrive

EARLY bird tickets for this year's Lounge on the Farm festival go on sale this Sunday.

The discount tickets to the Canterbury three-dayer will be available from the official website.

Take my advice; get yours soon before they are all snapped up.

Tight-lipped Lounge organisers have confirmed precious little about this summer's offering apart from the basics but I can tell you this:

Lounge on the Farm, now in its fourth year, will once again take place in the glorious surrounds of Merton Farm, running from Friday, July 10 to Sunday 12.

The first line-up announcements will be made mid-March.

#### BY SIMON ROBINSON

Festival organiser Matt Gough said he was delighted to start work on putting LOTF 2009 together

He said: "Kent's 'bestest' music festival is back. We were genuinely chuffed with how well last year's festival turned out – so aren't looking to make too many changes.

"If it ain't broke don't try to fix it. Four years old this time round so hopefully we'll be using all that experience and really start mixing it with the more-renowned festivals on the circuit – but in our own intimate style.

"What you can expect from Lounge on the

"What you can expect from Lounge on the Farm 2009 is the best in local music mixed-up with the cream of the international music scene.

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"Already with a few line-up treats up our sleeves, without a doubt this is going to be the best LOTF yet."

Last year's sell-out festival saw hundreds of top bands and artists perform across six stages, ranging from the Cow Shed to the Sheep Dip.

The line-up boasted the likes of Art Brut, The Coral, New York Dolls, Black Kids and Mystery Jets.

For more information and to buy early bird tickets visit www.loungeonthefarm.co.uk.

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2 The Flack – Animal (from Deal)
3 The Novels – Who Am I (from Ashford)
4 Shelta – Lets Talk (from Bexley)
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#### **YOUR** TV REVIEW

#### BY TOM BETTS



#### **CORONATION STREET**

ITV1, Monday, 7.30pm & 8.30pm; Wednesday, 7.30pm; Friday, 7.30pm & 8.30pm

IT'S been a long time since Coronation Street was a regular part of my TV diet.

This most British of shows drifted off my radar a few years back, but post-Christmas seemed like an apt place to resume viewing.

After crowbar-wielding uber villain

Richard Hillman had bumped off a fair number of the street's residents but unfortunately not Hamster-faced Gail Platt – I figured it couldn't get any better.

In short, it seemed like a good place to call it a day.

On the recommendation of a friend however, I decided to take a look a few weeks back to see how life 'oop north' was being playing out these days and what had become of the Rovers Return regulars.

She said it "was going great guns" so I tuned in, expectantly.

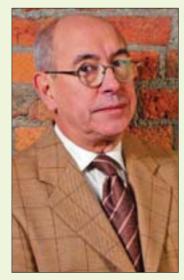
The good news is that Corrie still maintains a certain down-home humour, with characters like thick as two short planks Kirk, acid-tongued Blanche and, above all others, the curtain-twitching Norris, providing more than enough titter value.

Peter Barlow's battles with alcoholism have been deftly handled and the amusing arrest of Tyrone before his wedding was also great fun.

It is in its mainstay characters that Corrie comes into its own though.

This 30 minutes is as comforting as a cup of tea or an episode of Bullseye on UK Gold at Sunday tea time.

Just where would this country be without Emily Bishop, Kevin Webster, Rita Fairclough and intellectual moral



**MUCH-LOVED:** Coronation Street characters such as Norris Cole are now a TV institution

guardian of the working classes, Ken Barlow, as ever-presents on the box?

Up a creek without so much as a paddle, that's where.

addle, that's where.

I dread to think what would happen would happen if 'Our Ken' and his oddly fertile head of golden hair actually left the Street? The fall of civilisation as we know it, that's what.

More skilfully written Emmerdale, and not as cloyingly selfaware as Hollyoaks, Corrie is, I'm glad to report, alive and kicking and miles

ahead of its trashy counterparts.

Dripping in tradition, and with the kind of subtle acting the doughnuts on EastEnders would kill to be able to pull off, let's raise a pint of Newton and Ridley's best bitter to the Street.

If you are going to devote a significant part of your life keeping up to date with a soap opera, then at least have the sense to make it this one.

#### YOUR WEEK'S HOROSCOPE BY RUSSELL GRANT



AQUARIUS (Jan 21-Feb 19)
YOUR ideas get lots of attention this week. Be as bold and visionary as you dare. Nobody will laugh at your proposals. We're emerging from a very cautious period. Taking a risk will breathe new life into an organisation or relationship that is threatening to go stale.

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TAURUS (Apr 21-May 21) IT may be time to pause and take stock of your career plans. If you've been thinking about switching industries, this is the year to do so. Have a talk with a respected executive who has experienced many professional twists and turns. Their advice will prove invaluable.

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**LEO** (Jul 24-Aug 23) A MEETING of the minds gives you renewed hope for the future. At times you've despaired of ever meeting a person who truly understands you. Recently an intelligent person has entered your social circle. Together, you could form a powerful romantic or creative partnership.

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SCORPIO (Oct 24-Nov 22) TAKING a short trip to see family could be in the cards. At first this journey will seem like a hassle, but eventually you'll get into the spirit of things. If a relative asks for your honest opinion, give it. Be mindful of their feelings, though. It's possible to be truthful and tactful.

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PISCES (Feb 20-Mar 20) YOU'VE always been a solitary person and that's especially true this week. Daydreaming is infinitely more interesting than work. Unfortunately, you don't get paid much for fantasising. Therefore, you need to schedule time to expand your imagination.

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**GEMINI** (May 22-Jun 22) YOU may have to undertake a long trip for work, education, health or religious reasons. Make sure your passport is up-to-date and you lock in your air and hotel fares. Heed your lover's advice with regard to your love life. Just because you are satisfied doesn't mean he or she is.

. To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on Gemini 09067-531754

**VIRGO** (Aug 24-Sep 23) DEVISING a new routine will keep you happy and healthy. It's important to exercise every day. You're the type of person who stores stress in your body. Having a physical outlet for these frustrations will make you sleep better. If you're looking for a job, you could find one related to the media.

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SAGITTARIUS (Nov23-Dec21) IT may be difficult to get off the phone this week. Everybody has been wondering where you've been. Actually, you probably haven't gone anywhere; you were just busy working. Still, it's nice to know you were missed. Take this opportunity to catch-up with friends.

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ARIES (Mar 21-Apr 20) PLANNING a reunion for friends is a good use of your time. Too often you get so wrapped up with work that you neglect your social life. Take this opportunity to set aside time for the people you love most. Negotiating a higher salary is a distinct possibility later in the week.

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#### **CRYPTIC CLUES**

#### ACROSS

1 Primary graduates in charge (5)

- 4 Bottle contained 50 per cent, Jack concluded (8)
- 8 Coordinator with prize container (9-5)

10 Protect bird finding safety barrier (9)

11 Venetian magistrate trapped daughter's duck (5)

**12** Underground pipe (4)

- 13 Scene Ron shifted into place appearing in television programme (2-6)
- 17 Contributor to state revenue (8)

18 Thoroughly replete (4)

- 22 Dog one going to a provincial senate (5)
- 24 By accepting ten, it appears, on chart depicting life
- 25 His improvement surprisingly not an enriching experience
- 26 Scatter, it's only a light fall of rain (8)
- **27** Fertiliser tin returned by engineer (5)

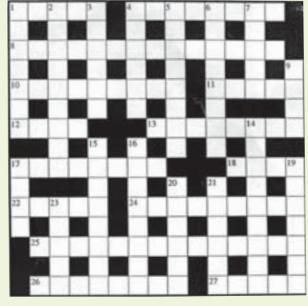
1 Bring in the past (7)

- 2 Notable fight by railway (6-3)
- 3 Lady is able first to find the country (6)
- 4 Sorrowful lads I'm shaking (6)
- **5** Lady is to come down in American state (8)
- 6 Jude and I can develop prejudice (8)
- 7 Soaked some of those denims (5)
- 9 Protein in maize included (4)
- 14 Kit's set of tools (9)
- 15 Dandy's pasta tubes (8)
- 16 Refreshing interval during working day (3-5)
- 17 Pile did not start with drawing-pin (4)
- **19** First gear? (7)
- 20 Not in any manner at present with one's sweetheart (6)
- 21 Raggedly-dressed child lurching within (6)
- 23 Do some more mapping and assign function to a

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1 Titlark (5)

- 4 Crustacean's cover (8)
- 8 In front of one's rivals (5,2,3,4)
- 10 Region in SW France (9)
- 11 Swill (5)
- 12 Vast (4)
- 13 People who are related (8)
- **17** Credulous (4-4)
- 18 Pant (4)
- **22** Life-aiving (5)
- 24 Free musical composition (9)
- 25 Town in Leicestershire (5-2-2-5)
- 26 Marsunial (8)
- 27 Attain (3,2)

- 1 Ancient Egyptian king (7)
- 2 Condemned beforehand (9)
- **3** Up to now (2,4)
- 4 Something added at the end (6)
- 5 Vigorous (8)
- 6 Tower block (4-4)
- **7** Melon (anag.) (5)
- 9 Stream (4)
- 14 In part payment (2,7)
- **15** Hothouse pest (5-3)
- **16** Juniper (3,5)
- 17 Billow (4)
- 19 Seer (7)
- 20 Greek sun-god (6)
- 21 Sharp turning (6)
- 23 Unit of flux (5)

#### LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS

#### **SUDOKU SOLUTIONS No70**

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Mickey Rourke plays Randy 'The Ram' Robinson, a top wrestler from the 80s, tempted into a rematch with an old wrestling rival despite having a heart condition which could cost him his life.

# Michael plays out of his skin in lead role as Frost

#### BY SARAH O'MEARA

PEOPLE don't tend to recognise the name Michael Sheen until you mention Tony Blair.

Better known for his uncannily life-like impersonation of the former Prime Minister in the 2006 film The Queen, than for his roles in Blood Diamond and Laws Of Attraction, the boyish 39-year-old actor is still trying to break free from Downing Street.

He's managed an escape of sorts in new film Frost/Nixon, where he plays another British institution, Sir David Frost.

The film began as a play by Peter Morgan and has already been a hit with stage critics, but will British film audiences admire his portrayal of the much-loved television journalist as much as they adored his Tony Blair?

In Frost/Nixon, David Frost is presented as a failing 70s TV personality, desperate to boost his flagging career. In a bid to make his name, he buys the first-ever television interview with disgraced ex-president Richard Nixon after the Watergate scandal.

Hoping to force an admission of guilt from Nixon and make broadcasting history, Frost takes on the ferocious former president who has other ideas.

Michael says the reaction to the play on London, Broadway and finally on screen, has been extraordinary.

"I talked with people who've seen the play, and the movie, and they say they get to a certain point and realise they haven't breathed for a minute. Any story that makes anybody that engaged, well it's a good sign."

The Welsh actor's knack for disappearing

The Welsh actor's knack for disappearing under the skins of famous men (he played Oscar's lover in Wilde and Kenneth Williams in Fantabulosa) assured him a safe acting passage to Hollywood.



**COMPELLING:** Michael Sheen stars as David Frost

But despite recent roles in Blood Diamond, alongside Leonardo DiCaprio, and Laws of Attraction, starring Pierce Brosnan and Julianne Moore, Michael still hasn't managed to eclipse the fame of his 'real life' characters. Frost/Nixon may change that.

Watching his attempts to catch out the former president (Frank Langella), is utterly compelling. Critics say his performance as the egotistical Frost could win him an Oscar.

"I felt like every time we did the performance, and then the film, whenever we were together there was always something real going on. It was never a repeat of what had been done before," he says.

The son of a part-time Jack Nicholson lookalike, Sheen says the hardest part of moving the play from stage to film was keeping it real.

"The challenge was to play someone who has, on the surface, a superficiality and light-

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weightness, but to try and get across how much things are unravelling underneath."

Luckily, the well-respected TV presenter has been gracious about the play, and the film. But Michael says that playing a person who is still alive can be complicated.

"I avoided meeting Sir David until after we opened on stage because it's a warts and all portrayal, and he's such an engaging, nice man."

Under strict orders to stay away from the notable television personality, Michael admits he accidentally bumped into him midway through rehearsals.

"I'd been sworn off seeing him by writer, Peter Morgan, and then I saw him walking down the street one day. I have to admit I was his stalker and followed him. I watched how he walked and all that sort of stuff, and took pictures of him on my mobile phone. To this day he's not even aware of that!"

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#### **PROPERTY NEWS**

### 'Browsers' boost levels in interest but not sales

THE first weeks of 2009 have seen a surge in "browsing" for new homes, with the number of enquiries from those seeking to look at properties more than doubling even as actual sales stay low.

One online home sales group says enquiries are up to 429,560 in the four weeks to January 10 from 199,762 in the same period last year.

But potential sellers are discouraged by the falling market.

There were 43,000 new listings in the month to January 10, compared with 89,000 in the same period last year.

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## Government support is welcomed by lenders

THE Council of Mortgage Lenders says it welcomes the Government's announcements to support lending in the economy.

The group said the conditions and level of fees imposed on lenders who wish to use the new measures will be particularly important in determining their effectiveness.

Members say this should mean more of the funding that is available may go towards home purchases rather than remortgaging, which would help to support wider activity in the market.

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Jackie Davies, area sales director, said: "Many people know that the traditionally busy selling period will soon be upon us but may have concerns as to whether it is appropriate to sell, or rent, particularly in the current market.

"Across south east Kent we are hosting special 'valuation days' on February 5, 6 and 7 where people can check demand and value of their home. All for free."

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BARCAIN: Prices are still falling and discounts are to be had - up to 35 per cent in some cases. And with interest rates slashed too this could be the perfect time to snap up a home

# Amid the gloom comes light for eager buyers

IT will hardly come as a show to discover the general view among those in the property market is that 2009 is not shaping up to be a good year.

But there is still some encouraging news around for those who want to move house.

First the bad news. Prices are still falling — after a 15.9 per cent drop in 2008, according to the Nationwide — and some sellers are accepting offers of 20 per cent less than their asking prices while interest rates have been dropped to an all-time low in an effort to get things moving again.

But analysts have some good news – if you're not caught in negative equity – and can put

#### BY NICK AMES

down a decent deposit – now could be an extremely good time to buy, they claim.

This is because so many homes are selling at a discount and others are coming on to the market cheaply as they have been repossessed

Other figures show that some mortgage deals are being offered which are actually cheaper than renting in an effort by lenders to boost the market and get it moving again.

Figures released last week by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors showed that although the number of properties sold hit a record low at the end of last year, the number of enquiries rose at the fastest pace since August 2006.

Research by estate agent Savills shows by the third quarter of 2007, when property values peaked, buying was 44 per cent more expensive than renting.

With the subsequent fall in prices, however, the gap is closing or not there at all.

"It's a cracking time to be buying," says James Greenwood, managing director of the property-search agency Stacks. "There's hardly any competition out there at the moment, so you've got the field to yourself. Prices have been discounted, there are distressed sellers who have to sell and there are some real bargains to be had, anything between 30 per cent and 35 per cent off peak value. We haven't seen anything like this for years."

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#### **MOTORS** NEWS



#### Alfa turns on small car style with super MiTo

RESURGENT Alfa Romeo has the new MiTo supermini in showrooms (from £10,995) and the Mini firmly in its sights.

Alfa has concentrated on eye-catching style and a good choice of petrol or diesel engines, but the small turbocharged 1.4-litre petrol units seem best suited to upholding Alfa's sporting tradition while meeting current needs for economy, hitting 60mph in eight seconds while averaging up to 46mpg, depending on output.

The newcomer also gets a maximum five stars in the Euro NCAP crash test.



#### Ka shows cash squeeze in the baby car sector

FORD'S all-new Ka city car has arrived as car buyers think smaller, but pricing is tight at the bottom of the market.

So the cheapest newcomer (from £7,995)

undercuts its predecessor by £350.

The Ka Mark II' has also been promoted by the latest James Bond film Quantum of Solace – with glamorous Bond girl Olga Kurylenko seen at its wheel.

The newcomer is offered with 68bhp 1.2-litre petrol or 74bhp 1.3 diesel power, both qualifying for the cheapest payable road tax band (£35/year).



#### Baby Citroën is nosing ahead of its little rivals

CITROEN'S eco-friendly C1 city car (from £7,595) has a butch new front end for 2009, improved cabin and even better CO2 emissions and fuel economy.

Launched in 2005, the C1 is now one of the UK's slowest depreciating and greenest cars, with the new model offering improved CO2 emissions as low as 106g/km. The 1.0-litre petrol engine also now offers improved fuel consumption of up to 62.8mpg on the combined cycle while the 1.4HDi diesel offers an amazing 68.9mpg. Two new C1 trims are offered.



NEW KID ON THE BLOCK: Vauxhall will be attacking German prestige marques BMW/Mercedes/Audi with their new-look Insignia which costs a lot less than its rivals

## New Insignia stands for a big change in attitude

VAUXHALL'S all-new Insignia marks a fresh start as well as new name in the family/company car sector.

This arena once dominated UK car sales, but now holds just a tenth of volume in the face of rivalry from 4x4s, MPVs and upmarket German kit.

Vauxhall's own seven-seat Zafira midi-MPV will have inflicted hefty damage and you sense the marque's parent General Motors has taken note.

So the Insignia drops any pretence at chasing the staid and practical MPV vote and concentrates on 'comfort and style', attacking German prestige marques while still offering a hatchback option for diehard 'rep's car' fans.

Even the estate version looks sporty and classy against the final hearse-like wagon spin-off from the Vectra - the Insignia's increasingly unloved predecessor.

The Insignia also needed to attack the Vectra's old foe, the Ford Mondeo, which had a hike in quality and style this time around, while remaining within reach of traditional

## **VAUXHALL INSIGNIA**

#### BY **STEVE LOADER**

STAR QUALITY

| Driving appeal | **** |
|----------------|------|
| Image          | **** |
| Space          | **** |
| Value          | **** |
| Running costs  | **** |
| Reliability    | **** |
| Green rating   | **** |

fleet customers. The Insignia places it under pressure on all counts and prices start from a modest £15,935 - some £500 less than the final Vectra line-up. Styling is enhanced by two neat touches: blacked out door pillars lower a roofline that already makes the Vauxhall look like a four-door coupé, while the 'blade' detail abaft the front wheel is a master touch suggesting power and muscle.

If the car's sharp suit worries BMW/Merc/Audi then the lining offers little relief even if let down by the budget feel of controls for the driver's seat and other minutiae.

But remember the Insignia is still selling for Vectra prices. Even the sporty 'rep's favourite' SRi model we tested, with its aluminium pedals, climate control, comfy sports seats including extendable seat base - quality sound system and smart alloys, starts at just over £18,000.

Diesel sales should dominate, of course, but our car's all-new 220PS (218bhp) 2.0-litre Turbo petrol engine impressed and could become the cult engine to complement the Insignia's taut yet supple chassis, for the Vectra's replacement looks and feels more like a driver's than a 'rep's car'. Do not dismiss without a road test.



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#### **GERMAN COMPACT** EXECUTIVES

USED car prices are set to firm up after being in freefall for several months, but this could still be a good time to snap up one of the three most aspirational cars on the UK market - compact executive models from the German trio of executive marques, BMW, Audi and Mercedes-Benz. In good times, the BMW 3-Series, Audi A4 and Mercedes C-Class hold their value ridiculously well, especially when considering the plentiful used supply, but recessions are a great leveller – and opportunity for those with the necessary cash and desire.

#### **BMW** 3-SERIES



REGARDED as the number one compact executive model for driving pleasure and sheer swank value, the 3-Series' crown is threatened by the numbers available plus new pressure from the Audi and Merc and other plausible rivals. There is plenty of choice, from hatchbacks, stylish estates and barnstorming M3 supercars as well as four and two-door stalwarts. Top engines are the classic BMW straight-six petrol and some smooth diesels - especially the 320d.

#### **STAR QUALITY**

| Driving appeal  | **** |
|-----------------|------|
| Looks and image | **** |
| Space           | **** |
| Value           | **** |
| Running costs   | **** |
| Reliability     | **** |
| Quality         | **** |

#### **AUDI** A4



AUDI'S ambitious compact executive challenger used to be seen as an also-ran hampered by front-wheel drive rather than the rear-wheel drive used by the rival BMW and Merc. However, the overall rise of Audi and the cachet of its Quattro all-wheel drive versions has turned the A4 into the 'thinking man's choice', though the numbers in circulation may weaken prices. It perennially under-achieves on the driving front, but lacks nothing in prestige.

#### **STAR QUALITY**

| Driving appeal  | **** |
|-----------------|------|
| Looks and image | **** |
| Space           | **** |
| Value           | **** |
| Running costs   | **** |
| Reliability     | **** |
| Quality         | **** |

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#### **STAR QUALITY**

| Driving appeal  | **** |
|-----------------|------|
| Looks and image | **** |
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| Value           | **** |
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consumption in mpg (litres/100km) for the Fabia Range: Urban 27.7 (10.2) – 53.3 (5.3). Extra Urban 47.1 (6.0) – 83.1 no. 27.7 (7.5) – 68.9 (4.1). CO: emissions for the Fabia Range 109 – 180 g/km.

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We'll cover the VAT on Octavia, low rate finance, 3 years servicing at no extra cost, 3 years warranty and 3 years roadside recovery<sup>†</sup>.



Octavia Classic 1.6FSI 115bhp incl. metallic paint, 3 years, 10,000 miles per annum Solutions example:

| 35 monthly payments of   | £159.00        |
|--------------------------|----------------|
| Deposit                  | £2,992.53      |
| Retail cash price        | £10,873.91     |
| Amount of credit         | £7,881.38      |
| Optional final payment   | £3,252.50      |
| Total amount payable     | £11,995.03     |
| Acceptance fee*          | £125.00        |
| Option to purchase fee** | £60.00         |
| Excess mileage           | 7.94p per mile |
| Туріса                   | 6.9% APR       |

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Official fuel consumption in mpg (litres/100km) for the Octavia Range: Urban 23.7 (11.9) – 44.8 (6.3). Extra Urban 40.9 (6.9) – 67.3 (4.2). Combined 32.5 (8.7) – 57.6 (4.9). CO3 emissions for the Octavia Range 130-207 g/km.

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| MAKE     | MODEL                       | ENGINE                   | REG     | YEAR          | MILES | COLOUR           | PRICE      |
|----------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|---------|---------------|-------|------------------|------------|
| SKODA •  | FABIA CLASSIC 5DR HATCH     | 1.4 MPI 68 BHP (PETROL)  | OU51XGX | NOVEMBER '01  | 46088 | DARK BLUE        | £3,490,00  |
| SKODA •  | FABIA CLASSIC 5DR HATCH     | 1.2 12v 70 BHP (PETROL)  | GJ06YGO | APRIL '06     | 21059 | HIGHLAND GREEN   | £5,990.00  |
| SKODA •  | FABIA 1 5DR HATCH           | 1.2 6v 60 BHP (PETROL)   | GD08FMC | JULY '08      | TBA   | BLACK MAGIC      | £6,990.00  |
| SKODA •  | FABIA 1 5DR HATCH           | 1.2 6v 60 BHP (PETROL)   | GD08FME | JULY '08      | TBA   | STORM BLUE       | £6,990.00  |
| SKODA •  | FABIA 1 5DR HATCH           | 1.2 6v 60 BHP (PETROL)   | GD08FMF | JULY '08      | TBA   | TANGERINE ORANGE | £6,990.00  |
| SKODA    | FABIA 1 5DR HATCH           | 1.4 TDi 70 BHP (DIESEL)  | GD08FMJ | JULY '08      | TBA   | BLACK MAGIC      | £8,290.00  |
| SKODA    | FABIA 1 5DR HATCH           | 1.4 TDi 70 BHP (DIESEL)  | GD08FMK | JULY '08      | TBA   | CAPPUCCINO BEIGE | £8,290.00  |
| SKODA    | FABIA 1 5DR HATCH           | 1.4 TDi 70 BHP (DIESEL)  | GD08FML | JULY '08      | TBA   | TANGERINE ORANGE | £8,290.00  |
| SKODA    | FABIA 1 5DR HATCH           | 1.4 TDi 70 BHP (DIESEL)  | GD08FMM | JULY '08      | TBA   | FLAMENCO RED     | £8,290.00  |
| SKODA    | FABIA 1 5DR HATCH           | 1.4 TDi 70 BHP (DIESEL)  | GD08FMO | JULY '08      | TBA   | STORM BLUE       | £8,290.00  |
| SKODA •• | FABIA 2 5DR HATCH           | 1.2 12v 70 BHP (PETROL)  | GJ58SYA | SEPTEMBER '08 | TBA   | BLACK MAGIC      | £8,490.00  |
| SKODA •• | FABIA 2 5DR HATCH           | 1.2 12v 70 BHP (PETROL)  | GK58NMV | SEPTEMBER '08 | TBA   | DYNAMIC BLUE     | £8,290.00  |
| SKODA •  | FABIA 2 5DR HATCH           | 1.4 16v 85 BHP (PETROL)  | GJ58MXR | OCTOBER '08   |       | STORM BLUE       | £8,490.00  |
| SKODA    | FABIA 2 5DR HATCH           | 1.4 TDi 80 BHP (DIESEL)  | KJ08CZW | AUGUST '08    | TBA   | SATIN GREY       | £8,490.00  |
| SKODA    | FABIA 2 5DR HATCH           | 1.4 TDi 80 BHP (DIESEL)  | GJ58SYE | SEPTEMBER '08 | TBA   | BLACK MAGIC      | £9,790.00  |
| SKODA    | FABIA 2 5DR HATCH           | 1.4 TDi 80 BHP (DIESEL)  | GJ58SYG | SEPTEMBER '08 | TBA   | TANGERINE ORANGE | £9,990.00  |
| SKODA •  | FABIA 2 5DR HATCH           | 1.9 TDi 105 BHP (DIESEL) | GK58NMX | SEPTEMBER '08 | TBA   | SATIN GREY       | £10,490.00 |
| SKODA    | FABIA 2 5DR HATCH           | 1.9 TDi 105 BHP (DIESEL) | GJ58SYS | SEPTEMBER '08 | TBA   | SATIN GREY       | £10,490.00 |
| SKODA    | FABIA 2 5DR HATCH           | 1.9 TDi 105 BHP (DIESEL) | GJ58SYR | SEPTEMBER '08 | TBA   | CAPPUCCINO BEIGE | £10,490.00 |
| SKODA    | FABIA 3 5DR HATCH           | 1.9 TDi 105 BHP (DIESEL) | GJ58SYP | SEPTEMBER '08 | TBA   | BLACK MAGIC      | £11,490.00 |
| SKODA •• | FABIA 3 5DR HATCH           | 1.9 TDi 105 BHP (DIESEL) | GF58KBV | JANUARY '09   |       | ANTHRACITE GREY  | £11,990.00 |
| SKODA •• | FABIA SPORT 5DR HATCH       | 1.4 TDi 80 BHP (DIESEL)  | GF58KBU | JANUARY '09   |       | BRILLIANT SILVER | £11,190.00 |
| SKODA •  | FABIA CLASSIC 4DR SALOON    | 1.4 16v 75 BHP (PETROL)  | GJ06RHK | MARCH '06     |       | DIAMOND SILVER   | £4,990.00  |
| SKODA    | FABIA AMBIENTE 5DR ESTATE   | 1.4 TDi 80 BHP (DIESEL)  | GK56USW | SEPTEMBER '06 |       | STORM BLUE       | £6,490.00  |
| SKODA    | FABIA AMBIENTE 5DR ESTATE   | 1.9 TDi 100 BHP (DIESEL) | GF06ZWS | JUNE '06      | 21710 | GRAPHITE GREY    | £6,990.00  |
| SKODA 👓  | FABIA 2 5DR ESTATE          | 1.6 16v AUTO (PETROL)    | GK58NMY | SEPTEMBER '08 | TBA   | CAPPUCCINO BEIGE | £10,990.00 |
| SKODA    | FABIA 2 5DR ESTATE          | 1.4 TDi 80 BHP (DIESEL)  | GF58AYP | SEPTEMBER '08 | TBA   | CORRIDA RED      | £9,990.00  |
| SKODA    | ROOMSTER LEVEL 3 5DR MPV    | 1.4 TDi 80 BHP (DIESEL)  | GK58NNC | SEPTEMBER '08 | TBA   | ANTHRACITE GREY  | £10,990.00 |
| SKODA •  | OCTAVIA GLXI 5DR HATCH      | 2.0 MPI (PETROL)         | X735OBW | OCTOBER '00   |       | PETROL GREEN     | £2,990.00  |
| SKODA •• | OCTAVIA AMBIENTE 5DR HATCH  | 1.8T 160 BHP (PETROL)    | GJ58SYO | SEPTEMBER '08 | TBA   | DIAMOND SILVER   | £11,490.00 |
| SKODA    | OCTAVIA AMBIENTE 5DR HATCH  | 1.9 TDi 105 BHP (DIESEL) | GJ08VAU | MARCH '08     | 5505  | SATIN GREY       | £12,990.00 |
| SKODA •  | OCTAVIA AMBIENTE 5DR HATCH  | 1.9 TDi 105 BHP (DIESEL) | KJ08DYT | AUGUST '08    | TBA   | SATIN GREY       | £10,290.00 |
| SKODA •  | OCTAVIA ELEGANCE 5DR HATCH  | 1.6 FSi 105 BHP (PETROL) | GK56VEF | SEPTEMBER '06 |       | CANDY WHITE      | £6,790.00  |
| SKODA •• | OCTAVIA ELEGANCE 5DR HATCH  | 1.6 FSi 105 BHP (PETROL) | GK58NNE | SEPTEMBER '08 | TBA   | FLAMENCO RED     | £12,490.00 |
| SKODA •  | OCTAVIA ELEGANCE 5DR HATCH  | 1.9 TDi 105 BHP (DIESEL) | GK58NNH | SEPTEMBER '08 | TBA   | SATIN GREY       | £12,490.00 |
| SKODA •  | OCTAVIA VRS 5DR HATCH       | 1.8 20v 180 BHP (PETROL) | GL05KKS | JUNE '05      | 57179 | BLACK MAGIC      | £5,990.00  |
| SKODA •  | OCTAVIA VRS 5DR HATCH       | 1.8 20v 180 BHP (PETROL) | GL05TZD | JUNE '05      | 61455 | BLACK MAGIC      | £5,990.00  |
| SKODA    | OCTAVIA AMBIENTE 5DR ESTATE | 1.9 TDi 105 BHP (DIESEL) | GL53WTE | JANUARY '04   | 49341 | GRAPHITE GREY    | £5,490.00  |
| SKODA    | OCTAVIA AMBIENTE 5DR ESTATE | 2.0 TDi 140 BHP (DIESEL) | GK58NNL | SEPTEMBER '08 | TBA   | CORRIDA RED      | £14,490.00 |
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| l                    | KF53SVU<br>GF55UKC | FABIA ELEGANCE 5DR HATCH<br>FABIA AMBIENTE 5DR ESTATE    | 1.4 16v 100 BHP (PETROL)<br>1.2 12v 64 BHP (PETROL)  | 67647<br>23600 | BLACK MAGIC<br>GRAPHITE GREY   | £4,990.00                | £1,030.00              | £3,960.00                |
| ı                    | GJ05WYV            | FABIA AMBIENTE 5DR ESTATE                                | 1.9 TDi 100 BHP (DIESEL)                             | 36801          | GRAPHITE GREY                  | £6,990.00<br>£7,290.00   | £1,120.00<br>£1,680.00 | £5,870.00<br>£5,610.00   |
| l                    | GJ08VBF<br>KS57EEA | FABIA 2 5DR ESTATE<br>OCTAVIA AMBIENTE 5DR HATCH         | 1.4 16v 85 BHP (PETROL)<br>1.9 TDi 105 BHP (DIESEL)  | TBA<br>10585   | STORM BLUE<br>BRILLIANT SILVER | £10,290.00<br>£11,990.00 | €1,310.00<br>€650.00   | £8,980.00<br>£11,340.00  |
| l                    | GL07CFJ<br>GL57YKV | OCTAVIA AMBIENTE 5DR HATCH<br>OCTAVIA ELEGANCE 5DR HATCH | 1.9 TDi DSG (DIESEL)<br>1.9 TDi 105 BHP (DIESEL)     | 13396<br>3501  | CAPPUCCINO BEIGE<br>SATIN GREY | £10,790.00<br>£13.990.00 | €500.00<br>€1.710.00   | £10,290.00<br>£12,280.00 |
| l                    | HT54LSV<br>GK087NX | OCTAVIA ELEGANCE 5DR HATCH<br>OCTAVIA L&K 5DR HATCH      | 2.0 TDi 140 BHP (DIESEL)<br>2.0 TDi 140 BHP (DIESEL) | 92398<br>TBA   | STORM BLUE<br>BLACK MAGIC      | £5,990.00<br>£17.490.00  | £500.00<br>£2.210.00   | £5,490.00<br>£15,280.00  |
| l                    | GK05OJY            | OCTAVIA VRS 5DR HATCH                                    | 1.8 20v 180 BHP (PETROL)                             | 32082          | DIAMOND SILVER                 | £8,490.00                | £1,770.00              | £6,720.00                |
| ı                    | GF57HKO<br>GJ08VAV | OCTAVIA VRS 5DR HATCH<br>OCTAVIA AMBIENTE 5DR ESTATE     | 2.0 TDi 170 BHP (DIESEL)<br>2.0 TDi DSG (DIESEL)     | 3751<br>TBA    | CORRIDA RED<br>STORM BLUE      | £16,490.00<br>£14,690.00 | £1,500.00<br>£1,000.00 | £14,990.00<br>£13,690.00 |
| ı                    | GL08XRC            | OCTAVIA L&K 5DR ESTATE                                   | 2.0 FSi AUTO (PETROL)                                | TBA            | ISLAND GREEN                   | £17,990.00               | £2,170.00              | £15,820.00               |

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Single mum, 23, nice and curvy, 5ft6, blonde, blue eyes, likes shopping, cin ema and animals, WLTM an honest and trustworthy male, 28-38. Box 446099

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Fun to be with blonde female, 25, 5ft2, loves football(1), going out and staying in, looking for a like-minded man to be my soulmate. Box 446494

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that special surrectire to enjoy a reactionship with. Box 447585 ♥
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Loving, caring, tactile female, 36, 5'8',
blonde hair, blue-eyes, N/S, GSOH,
likes cinema, bowling, country pubs,
nights in/out, seeks male for friendship and LTR. Box 827619 ♥
FRIENDSHIP, MAYBE MORE
Social, genuline, honest, single mum,
36, 5ft6. I've got hazel eyes and dark
hair and enjoy the cinema, meals out.
VLTM sincere, attractive, genuline
male, Box 446840 ♥
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ON THE LOOKOUT FOR LOVE 37yr old female, 2 kids, slim, brown hair and eyes, 5ft2, looking for caring, loving, honest and trusting male to be my someone special. Box 446552

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Lovely pretty big-busted lady, 39,
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BUODIY, cuddly, blonde single mum, 38,
5°C, likes cars, reading, pubs, nights in, having a laugh, looking for that right male for LTR. Box 905614 
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bars. Box 883010 @ @
CAN YOU HANDLE ME?
Bubbly upbeat slim blonde girl, 40, independent but looking for that someone special to have a good time with. Box 448251 @

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HOLD MY HAND Single mum, 28, looking for LTR. I

enjoy cosy nights in, dancing, dining out. I'm 5ft1, short hair, blue eyes. Box

out. I'm 5ft1, short hair, blue eyes. Box 445363 ©
A GOOD HEART
THESE DAYS...
Tall, attractive, good hearted African female, 28yr old, enjoys films, good food and cuddles, WLTM a white male for friendship and romance. Box 441654 ©
NO TIMEWASTERS!
Easyooling female, 32, enjoys shop-

Easygoing female, 32, enjoys shopping, football, eating out, cosy night in, WLTM loving, caring white male 35-47 for long term loving relationship. Box 444214

444214 
CHATHAM UP!
Pretty black female, 32, tall, loves watching football, shopping, travel, seeking tall, white, loving male, 34-47, for LTR. Chatham. Box 437778 
HORSES FOR COURSES...
Caring, loving, affectionate female, 30, 52°, blonde, likes walking, horse riding, animals, seeks affectionate male, and of the chatham.

ing, animals, seeks affectionate male 30-40, for lasting, loving relationship. Box 384013 •

Box 384013 **©**CANTERBURY TALE
Hi guys, fun-loving single mum, 34,
WLTM the man of my dreams! I'm
genuine, honest and full of life! Only
decent, honest men may apply!!! Box
406670 **@** 

406670 **⊕ FUN-LOVING FEMALE**Attractive, 31, 5'4", size 12, dark hair with blonde highlights, tactile, WLTM intelligent, professional, attractive guy, for a happy relationship. Tunbridge Wells. Box 308734 **⊕** 

Hi I'm .ludith 40 small blonde hair HITM JUDITI, 40, STRail, DIOTUCE TEAT, blue eyes, love the sea and water-sports, cinema, animals; WLTM funloving guy for friendship and see what happens. Box 448107

A NICE BOTTLE OF WINE

Lovely, glossy brunette, 39yr old, petite, bubbly and loving, enjoys theatre, music and eating out, WLTM a professional, loving and tactile male for a relationship. Box 442551 **©** 

NO TIES
Bored, professional Tunbridge Wells Asian lady, 40, WLTM slim, solvent, professional white male, 40-50, for company, fun, love, laughter. Box



ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE

Hello, I'm Nikki, 41yr young, 5ft1, enjoys dining out, cinema and dancing, seeking a male for friendship, possible romance/fun. Box 444796 
YOU'LL SMILE IF YOU DIAL

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Bubbly 40yr old female, enjoys beaches, pubs, clubs, WLTM a like-minded,
caring male to share fun times with,
Box 435102 

BORN TO MAKE YOU HAPPY
Caring lovable lady, 42, genuine, short
brown hair, lacks confidence! seeking
loyal, genuine person, someone special to put the spark back into my life.
Box 885761 

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LET'S CLICK

WLTM a nice guy with a similar
nature; I'm an outgoing woman, 42,
with brown hair and green eyes. Tell
me about you! Box 446847 

LET'S SEE WHAT HAPPENS

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Laid-back single mum, very bubbly,
outgoing and intelligent, 43, enjoys
social life, drinks, meals, cinema; looking to start afresh with someone new,
easygoing, life-loving. Box 446102 ♥
AIMING HIGH
6ft blonde aerobics instructor, female,
43, seeking decent, tall, fit male for
companionship in my spare time
(mainly afternoons). Box 446017 ♥

BELLE MICHELLE
Looking for nice, honest, genuine guy
for committed relationship. Tim 42yr
old, many interests/friends, just looking
for someone special. Box 448370 ♥
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for someone special. Box 448370 COUNTRY LASS

RECIPE FOR ROMANCE

I'm a single mum of 42, catering man-ager, looking to find someone to have fun, laughs and enjoy life with. I like walks, cycling, socialising. Box 883204

GENUINE REPLIES ONLY

Bubbly female, 44, brunette, N/S, medium/large build, enjoys singing and theatre. Would love to meet a decent fun-loving guy, similar age, pref non-smoker for LTR. Box 445955

HERE WE ARE

Easygoing female, 45, self-employed hairdresser, likes theatre, restaurants, socialising, sofa cuddles, seeking loyal, loving, caring male for good times and more. Box 444672 •

times and more. Box 4446/2 
SOULMATE SOUGHT
African descent female, 45, 5ft6, full figure, radiant, happy, attractive, loves music, theatre, travel, the arts, WLTM gentleman who is cultured, kind, solvent and fun. Box 443998

MAKE ME LAUGH!

MAKE ME LAUGH!
Fun extrover person, 45 likes cinema, going out, meals, socialising, 5ft7, dark brown hairdeyes, curvy, seeking nice guy to start off as friends with. Box 442905 ©
COULD IT BE YOU?
Hi I'm 44, slim, 5ft8, a redhead, love nights out, socialising, looking for friendship initially and hopefully more later on. Box 889800 ©
IT'S WHAT YOU MAKE OF IT!
44Vr old female, blonde hair, 5ft5.

44yr old female, blonde hair, 5ft5, slim, easygoing, enjoy many things in life, looking for someone similar out there to enjoy life with! Box 436810

SINCERITY

Hi I'm Marian, petite, blonde, green eyes, 46, looking for my Mr Right to have fun with and enjoy lasting relationship with. Box 447986

ARE YOU THE ONE FOR ME? Caring, cute female, 46, petite, likes socialising, dancing, travelling, good food, seeking intelligent, loyal man 42-52 for love and TLC. Seaford. Box 444366

HELP ME OPEN UP

HELP ME OPEN UP Easygoing lady, 46, dark brown hair/blue eyes, medium build, likes life, socialising, the seaside, walks, drinks, WLTM male to share a bottle of wine with. Box 444585

of wine with. Box 444555 

HAPPY GO LUCKY

Sincere, happy woman, with GSOH. I'm 5ff6, with short brown hair, brown eyes. I have lots of interests and WLTM similar guy. Box 895019 

LISA THE LOVE
OF YOUR LIFE?
Down-to-early dir, 48, 6ft1, blonde, medium build, like reading, walking, theatre, cinema, WLTM similar family-orientated man for lasting love. Box 448275 

A NEW DAY BEGINS
Bubbly female, 48, GSOH, slim, non-smoker, enjoys outdoors, cooking, home-life, coox yinghs in, eating out, cinema looking for tall, sincere gentleman, for fiendship/relationship. Box 446303 

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448032 **@**ALL THAT I NEED

ALL THAT I NEED
Young-looking, slim, attractive female,
48, fun-loving, outgoing, N/S, GSOH,
love music, holidays, going out, staying in, seeks similar man, 42-50.
Aylesford. Box 428833 ©
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Cheerful, honest, popular blonde, 50yrs old, 5ft2, slim, looking to find an honest, loyal man. Ian please call again/leave contact details. Box 887347

CALL ME!

Recently separated single mum, 51, genuine and loving, GSOH, loves ar mals and stocky men, looking for a special someone to share fun nights in/out with. Box 448354 ①

FUNNY GIRL

Petite, blonde female, 50, GSOH, likes music, books, films, cooking, looking for romantic soulmate, 40-55, for TLC. Kent. Box 835181 ① ②

CARING & PROFESSIONAL
Female 49, 5ft4, long hair, slim, likes
eating out, the beach, travel, seeks a
friendly chap, 48-55. Hastings Box
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YOU DON'T KNOW
UNTIL YOU CALL...
Young looking, hard working 53yr old living in East Sussex. I am a happy, caring person with a good sense of humour. Non-smoker. Heathfield. Box 883410 0

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humour. Non-smoker. Heathfield. Box 883410 **©** SEEING THROUGH THE SHYNESS Attractive female, 53, intelligent, kind, funny, non-smoking, WLTM nice, kind, normal male, 50-60, for theatre, laughs and more. Box 446383

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53, 57", slim, brown hair/eyes. N/S,
GSOH, enjoys walking, reading, travel, socialising, seeking tall, considerate, honest, solvent gent for friendship/LTR. Box 446079 €
ENJOY LIFE
55yr old woman, brown hair/blue
eyes, 5ff2. I'm divorced with a grown
up family. I enjoy reading, travel, cinema, music, eating out. WLTM caring,
genuine man. Box 446798 €

genuine man. Box 446798 
PISCES OR CAPRICORN?
Star-struck lady, 59, 513, medium build, blonde, blue eyes, likes swimming, holidays, the sea; WLTM tall man with good heart for love. Box 448240 
CHIDDLE LIB. GUDDLE UP
Medium-built lady, 62, 5ft3, likes
dancing, walking, eating in/out, WLTM
a caring and considerate male to stay

n with on a cold winter's evening. Box 445123 **①** LOVING AND GENUINE

Female, early 60s, tall, slim, modern, young thinking & very adaptable to people, own house, loves animals, walking & eating out. Box 440502 
SINCERELY YOURS

Fit young-at-heart very active 69yr old widow, great SOH, lots of TLC to give to the right person. Enjoys walks and more. Box 448129 ①

Women seeking women

HOPEFULLY MORE

Feminine woman, easygoing, caring, 45, long brown hair, blue eyes. I love music, eating out, reading/writing, drives, weekends away. WLTM boyish female. Box 448248

52yrs, 5ft6, blonde, size 12 enjoys good food/wine, theatre, countryside, holidays, seeking a sincere, genuine fernale, for friendship first, possibly relationship Box 414143 **⊕** 

IS IT ME YOU'RE COKING FOR?

Green-eyed girl, 55, 5ft5, size 14-16, animal-loving Sagittarius, seeking a butch woman, 40-65, for companionship and comfort. Box 447712 • • •

ATTRACTIVE, BUBBLY LADY

MEN seeking women

DOWN TO EARTH

Kind young man, 21, always up for a laugh, plays footballs, likes pubs and night clubs, looking for soulmate to share everything with. Box 448330 **① YOU AND ME?** 

Simple chap, 28, likes life and making the most of it, meals out, cinema,

looking to meet someone for friend-ship, maybe more... Box 448200 ① Tall male, 27, slim, shy, quiet personality and of smart appearance. I enjoy music, clubbing WLTM female 18-34. Box 907694 INTERESTED?

CAN YOU KEEP UP?

Very sporty male, 33, 6ft2, muscular, green-blue eyes, dark hair, likes clubs, pubs, socialising, seeking female to relax and have fun wit perhaps more. Box 444221 ①

pernaps more. Box 444421 The FAMILY GUY
Attractive male, laid back and down-to-earth. I'm a father of 2, 5ft7, 35, brown eyes, shaved head. I enjoy eating out, swimming, films and family time. Box 448180 The State of the State LOVE THE ONE YOU'RE WITH

Attractive, caring man, 37, very loyal, genuine, down-to-earth, from East Kent, many interests, it's about who you're with, not what you're doing. Box 423435 

ALONG THE SHORE

ALONG THE SHORE
Sporty, single male, 5ft8, medium
build, brown hair/green eyes, 38yrs
old. I like beach walks and I'm loyal
caring and friendly. Box 448210

Down-to-earth, loyal guy, 36, looking for companionship, leading to a long-term relationship. Enjoys meals out,

MAKE YOUR MARK
Hi I'm Mark, 40, 5ft8, brown hair and
eyes, fit, not ugly, mature, honest,
WLTM someone trustworthy and caring. Box 448372 ①
TO ENJOY LIFE

FIVE ENJOY LIFE
Hi I'm Mark, 40, 5ft8, brown hair and eyes, fit, not ugly, mature, honest, WLTM someone trustworthy and caring to settle down with. Box 448377

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PUT THAT SPARK
BACK INTO MY LIFE

Virgo male, 40, 5ft7, stocky build, kind, loving, fine guy, enjoys the cinema, meals out, walks on beaches, WLTM like-minded person to be my gifl. Box 446212 

WHO KNOWS

Hi, I'm a down-2-earth male, 40, 57″, medium build, green eyes, loves out-doors, sports, beach walks etc, WLTM an out-going lemale for good times. Box 899004 

EVER CHANGING COLOURS

WLI M an out-going remaie for good times. Box 899004 **① EVER CHANGING COLOURS** Ian, 40, 5'7", medium build, green eyes turning blue when it is cold, loves live sports and golf, seeking an active female, 30-39. Box 899003 **①** 

LET'S GET TOGETHER
Good guy, 42, 5ft11, medium build,
short dark hair, brown eyes, various
interests; seeking somebody for fun,
romance, cosy nights in and more.
Box 448426

ASHFORD MAN 

DEVOTED DAD Hi I'm Ricky, 42, 5ft6, brown hair green eyes, enjoy walks, swims, parks and football, seeking similar slim female for honest relationship. Box 448284 **⊕** 

BOX 440204 POPCORN?
Single chap, 43. I enjoy cinema, holidays, beach walks, restaurants and music. I'm hoping to meet a lovely lady, 34-56. Box 445214 P lady, 34-56. Box 4452 WARM-HEARTED Single friendly guy, genuine, honest, very affectionate, 43, 6ft4, slim, short brown hair, green eyes, WLTM affectionate lady for genuine relationship. Box 446879

Box 446879

ROB THE BUILDER

Medium build lad, 43, olive skin, looking for a genuine lady to spend the good/bad times with. Box 447656 

BIKER BOY

Single dad, 43, slim, long dark hair, beard, tattooed, looking for a woman who likes doing mad things and having a laugh. Box 448420

ing a laugh. Box 448420 
A FINE ROMANCE
Easygoing, attractive, affectionate
man, 44, 5ft11, likes cinema, cosy
nights in, music, seeking attractive lach
for friendship/more. Box 429272 DAD'S THE WORD

DAD'S THE WORD
Lonely single male, 44, 6ft2, fair hair, great SOH, happy but looking for a lady, 30-60, to have fun with, hopefully something else. Box 446452 

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something else. Box 446452
I'LL MAKE YOU LAUGH FLL MAKE YOU LAUGH
Very romantic, caring and loyal male,
44, slim, blue eyes, fair hair, great
SOH, seeks female, 24-48, with simi-lar interests for hopeful LTR. Hastings.
Box 446120 
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BUILD ME UP BUTTERCUP
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Builder by trade, I'm a 44yr old guy, I like cars, TV, watching football, going out, cosy nights in, cycling, walks. You? Box 448205

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CUDDLE UP

Single dad, 45, happy in life, would be nice to share it with lovely woman. Ike animals, cooking, music. All replies answered. Box 448281

WINE AND DINE

II there, I'm a 46yr old guy, bubbly with a GSOH. I like eating in/out, cuddling up on the sofa. Slim build, green/blue eyes. Box 448116 

CENTILINE A SINCERE

green/blue eyes. Box 448116 **U GENUINE & SINCERE,**hard-working male, 47, slim, not badlooking! 5ft8, into most things...sports,
pubs/meals, socialising, walks, travel...WLTM slim, honest, loyal, attractive sid with great SCML for honeful.

tive girl with great SOH, for hopeful LTR. Box 444244 **① ②** 

ROMANCE! PASSION! Honest male, 47, likes cinema, walks

Honest male, 47, likes cinema, walks, holidays, restaurants, seeking romance, love, the woman of my dreams for relationship and more. Box 448253 ①

HEALTHY LOVE...
Hard working guy, 47, WLTM a young lady to enjoy and make the most of life with, finding love along the way.
Box 448305 ①

SOMETHING TO HOLD ON TO Fun loving, professional man, 48, likes

SOMETHING TO HOLD ON TO
Then loving, professional man, 48, likes
walking, pubs and interesting conversation amongst other things, seeks
affectionate, attractive female for fun
and friendship. Box 448238 

ROMANCE,
PASSION, LAUGHTER
Slim male, 48, 6ft, dark brown hair,
eyes, attractive, animated, confident,
celectic, seeking soulmate 43-53 forever. Box 446553 

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brown hair, brown eyes, loyal, loving, caring, looking for a similar lady to cuddle... Box 447902 MOVING FORWARDS

HOLD HANDS Hi I'm Bill, 48, 5ft7, well built, short

cuddle... Box 447902 

MOVING FORWARDS
Divorced devoted dad, 53, 6ft, brown hair, medium build, loves sports and live music, seeking female 49-55 for hopeful lasting relationship. Box 448390 

PLANT THE SEEDS
Honest and loyal, 53yr old guy, 6ft tall, considered attractive. I'm easygoing, with a GSOH. Looking for female company, to socialise with. I like DIY, gardening. Box 884003 

GETTING TO KNOW YOU AIMS, 53 and listening, seeking a like-minded woman to spend time with. Box 446539 

COULD WE START AGAIN | I'm Clark 19 |
COULD WE START AGAIN PLASS?
Hello, I'm Clen, 56, 5ft 7, medium build, smoker, divorced, likes DIY, looking for a female, age and looks not important, for friendship and companionship. Hailsham Box 448412 

DOSSITULITY

panionship. Hailsham Box 448412 **① POSITIVITY** POSITIVITY
Separated dad, 57, wants to move on and be happy, enjoys making the most of life, WLTM happy, jolly girl who wants fun in life. Box 448292 

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MUSIC OF LOVE

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Hi I'm Alfred, 59, 6ft, greying hair, blue
eyes, medium build, looking for a
lovely English Rose for lasting love.
Box 448243 D
LOVE ME, LOVE MY TROLLEY

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Tall, dark, dvorced male, 59, likes
most music/dining out/cinema, seeking female to share my Tesco trolley
for friendship, hopefully more...
Collette, please call again...leave contact details lost 444251 09
YOUR FLEXIBLE FRIEND
Solvent, retired widower, 62, 519, not
overweight, NS, decent, flexible and
friendly, likes country music, meals
in/out, looking for a female, to build a
LTR with. Box 448346
COME ON OVER

COME ON OVER
60yrs young, handsome male, 6ft1, athletic, own house/car, loves keep fit, cricket, music classical/blues, cooking; seeking lady to see what happens. Box 438361 **@** 

seeking men

Seeking men

DRINKS?

Currently looking for fun, friendship, maybe romance with fun male. I'm a 28yr old guy, dark hairbube eyes, lerigoy bars, meals out/hi. Box 445220

ARE YOU INTERESTED?
Good guy, looking for male, 35-50. I'm 40, green eyes, dark hair, averagbuid. Jerigoy pubs, music, cinema, dining in/out. Box 436613

ARRESTING LOVE

Hi there, I'm 40, 6ft, green eyes, blond hair, own house, enjoy pubs, keeping fit, seeking similar male, sporty, for fun/more. Box 436788

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For an application pack, please write to/teleph (stating the role for which you are applying):
Mrs Linda Taylor, Abbey Court School, Rede Court Road,
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A SERVICE to encourage disadvantaged people in the south east to set up their own business has been expanded to reach even more potential entrepreneurs.

The Business Link Enterprise Gateway scheme has already helped more than 300 people from deprived areas set up their own companies and thousands more have received guidance and advice.

It aims to help people facing challenges, or those who haven't realised they have a talent for business and enterprise.

During the last five years it has been available in 16 locations across the south east and now it is covering deprived communities across the whole region.

In Kent, the service spans the county and is particularly focused in areas where entrepreneurial activity is low, such as Medway, the Isle of Sheppey, and selected wards in Sittingbourne and Dover.

Enterprise development manager Jane North said: "Our role is to work with individuals who would not normally consider enterprise as a viable option for them.

"They may have faced redundancy, health problems or just been out of the job market for a long time."

For more information, telephone 0845 600 9006, or visit the website by logging on at www.bringyourideastolife.co.uk.

#### Save money thanks to **BCC** and Staples tie up

IMPORTANT news for people brave enough to start up a business right now: the British Chambers of Commerce (BCC) - the umbrella organisation of local chambers of commerce - and office stationery group Staples have teamed up to launch a extended help-to-go pack.

All start-ups that join the BCC will now receive a 20 per cent discount voucher to spend at their local Staples store.

The pack, which when it was first launched was to help start-ups during their crucial first year, has been extended to take into account the new challenges companies are now facing. Staples have stores across the county.

# **'Upbeat' county will** weather the storm

#### BY TONY PATEY

THERE may not be any strong green shoots of recovery showing in Kent just yet, but there are some warm breezes blowing through the chilly economic climate.

Businesses across the county are reporting that while the credit crunch has taken a bite out of their business, they are - so far at least weathering the storms better than elsewhere in the UK.

And much of the reason for the region's resilience is being put down to an increasing export market and a confidence both in the current trading environment and in what the future holds.

The Maidstone Economic Development Group of Kent Invicta Chamber of Commerce (KICC) found members were showing greater confidence under current conditions than the south east in general, and nationally

John Taylor, chairman of the MED Group, said: "While these are challenging times, we are heartened by this positive attitude among our members. Clearly things are not as gloomy in Kent as the national picture would suggest."

David Foley, policy director of the Channel Chamber of Commerce which represents much of the east Kent coast, agreed there were relatively bright areas amid the bleakness.

He said exporters especially were in a good position to fend off the crunch with the weak

"The potential for manufacturers in this area is considerable," he said.

Also firms which had a sound ecological base were doing relatively well because of a change in consumer sentiment, with people wanting more environment-friendly goods.

Mr Foley reckoned the three basic principles of good business were price, good quality and



**ROUGH TRADE:** Many Kent businesses remain upbeat despite the harsh conditions, local chambers of commerce say

service - with service being the clincher in rough trading times.

Peter Hobbs, chief executive of the Channel Chamber, added: "We are seeing lots of small organisations, particularly in the service sector, struggling as their sales begin to tighten.

"As a result they are urgently reviewing their costs and who they buy from, in other words their procurement.

"There are, of course, plenty of opportunities here for local businesses, for example, some local book keepers and accountants are reporting an uplift in clients."

KICC members in the service sector - rather than manufacturing - are upbeat.

During the three months to December, these members reported a "less dire decline" in both home and export sales than the rest of the

Elsewhere, while order books are dipping and cash-flow worsened, KICC members appear to be performing better than elsewhere in the nation.

Interestingly, their levels of business confidence were higher, which is an important factor in getting the economy back on track.

An equal proportion expected sales to rise in 2009 as to fall, and although more expected profits to fall than to rise, this gloom was much less widespread than the rest of the south east, despite the fact that more KICC members were carrying spare capacity.

The higher confidence is reflected in pre-December employment which held steady, unlike the rest of the south east and the UK, and while there were more firms expecting to cut staff than those aiming to hire more, there was less pessimism.







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**JUST IN TIME:** Gillingham's Adam Miller scored the winner to extend their unbeaten home run to 12 games

## Miller's late goal extends Gills' home record

GILLINGHAM extended their formidable unbeaten run in League Two at Priestfield to a dozen games on Saturday with a win against promotion rivals Exeter City.

Adam Miller's scruffy late goal was enough to catapult Mark Stimson's side to a seasonhigh fourth place.

Only goal difference kept Gills from the automatic promotion spots

Along with away wins at Morecambe and Port Vale in the previous seven days, it meant the team had picked up maximum points since narrowly losing to Aston Villa in

#### **FOOTBALL**

#### Gillingham 1 Exeter City 0

the FA Cup earlier this month. Stimson said: "Since Villa they are churning out performances now and are hard to beat, whereas before teams would have scored sloppy goals against us and we'd have given silly goals away.

"It's a nice position to be in and one the boys will be proud of, but they know it can be undone within two games with performances not as good as [Saturday], so we've got to keep their feet on the ground."

Both sides hit the crossbar in an otherwise low key first half, but after the break Gills laid siege to the visitors' goal. City defended well until the hosts finally forced an opening 11 minutes from time, allowing Miller to tap

Gills were in action at home to Lincoln City last night. Log on to www.yourmedway.co.uk for the report and reaction from

## **Hoyte is four-some** for league leaders

JENNIE Hoyte bagged all four of Holcombe ladies' goals as they won at

Tolcombe ladies goas as they won at title rivals Dereham to go top of the East Women's Premier on Saturday.

With fellow challengers Cambridge City having their game at Tunbridge Wells called off, it offered the winners at Dereham a chance to seize control of the division.

Hoyte rose to the occasion, smashing four goals to seal a vital 4-2 victory for Holcs, who leapfrogged Cambridge and Dereham to go one point clear.

They will expect to extend their

unbeaten league run to nine games this Saturday when they visit struggling Thurrock.

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Mark Stimson on Gillingham's pursuit of Chris Dickson and other transfer targets

## **Huntsman** are fair game for FC Banta

TOP of the league Real Huntsman fell to a shock defeat at the hands of FC Banta in the City Masters League.

The 4-2 defeat was Real Huntsman's first of the season after 18 games, but they remain the league leaders by a single point, as second-placed Jules Rimet

slipped up losing 5-2 to Atomics.

Heskey's Heroes continue their run without a win losing 6-1 to Spartacus.

In the Friday Master League, Santos continue their reign at the top of the division with a 4-3 win against Sparkies. Santos are four points ahead of nearest





PNEUMONIA HELL: Gillingham skipper Barry Fuller is on the road to recovery after being rushed to hospital with pneumonia but it could be several weeks before he makes a return

# Skipper still not back to fitness after severe illness

BARRY Fuller has revealed he was attached to an oxygen tank for four days and was unable to speak after being struck down with severe bacterial pneumonia.

The Gillingham skipper spoke for the first time after having spent a week in hospital after developing the illness, which infected a third of his lungs. Doctors are still baffled as to why the physically fit 24-year-old was affected, but a successful course of antibiotics enabled him to return home last week.

The Ashford-born defender, who before the problems had never spent an extended period in hospital, told Yourmedway it had been a dis-

"Obviously it was very worrying," he said. "As soon as I got to the hospital they put me on oxy**FOOTBALL** 

BY **DAVID PRITCHARD** 

gen immediately and that's when I thought

something must be very wrong.

"I became so ill that late last Tuesday I was unable to speak and I wasn't able to come off the oxygen for four days. It came to the point where I said I never thought I would be this ill until long after I retired. I would try to speak three or four words but it made me totally exhausted and I had to sleep.'

Pneumonia usually develops from an infection in the lungs and can be fatal in the old, young or those with weakened immune systems. Despite the apparent severity of his symptoms, Fuller admits if it had been left to him he would not have acted so swiftly.

He said: "I didn't take much notice and thought I had a bit of flu coming on. It was my family who booked an appointment with my GP and forced me to go; maybe if they hadn't it could have been much worse."

Fuller is hoping to return to the club late next week to do some preliminary work. The fullback has lost weight during the fortnight since falling ill and even if everything goes to plan it is expected to take several weeks before he is fit enough to be available for selection.

Gills manager Mark Stimson has been calling Fuller regularly to keep him updated on the team's progress and is hoping it will not be too long before his captain returns.

He said: "We wish him a speedy recovery and would love him to be back now because of what he brings not just on the pitch but off it as well."

## Frustration for Chats as ten-man Enfield hold on

#### **FOOTBALL**

BY **DAVID PRITCHARD** 

#### **Chatham Town 1**

#### **Enfield Town 1**

CHATHAM Town missed out on a good chance to close the gap to the teams above them as they failed to break down an Enfield side playing with ten men for much of the second half.

Lee Barnett put the Chats in front, but a defensive mix-up gifted an equaliser to the visitors. Enfield had a man sent off midway through the second half, but the home side lacked the imagination to find a winner and had to settle for a share of the points.

Chats manager Steve Binks felt it was a

missed opportunity.

He said: "We didn't capitalise on the sending off. We played too long and didn't do enough to get the winner.

"There were a couple of decent half chances where I thought we were going to win it, but wasn't to be. It was a winnable game which is why it's so frustrating."



FIRST BLOOD: Lee Barnett (in red) put Chatham in the lead

Town had played their best football of the season against two of the Ryman North's top sides in the previous two games, against Waltham Forest and leaders East Thurrock.

They had to weather an early storm against

#### **Chatham Town starting XI**



Enfield, but took the lead with a poacher's finish from Barnett.

Rob Denness rode a couple of challenges before getting a good shot away. The goalkeeper could only parry it and Barnett reacted quickest to fire home.

The lead barely lasted five minutes. A long hopeful ball over the top should not have caused too many problems, but a lack of communication between Danny Larkin and goal-keeper Martin Grant saw the former head the ball over his team-mate. Michael Deane could barely believe his luck and strolled through to tap into an empty net.

The game was in the balance until Chris

Wild was sent off on 65 minutes, but the Chats failed to make the most of their man advantage. Substitute Michael Dodsworth came closest but his powerful shot was tipped over ten minutes from time.
Binks also brought on defender Ben Payne,

igned from Sittingbourne, for his debut.

Next up for Town is a trip to Maldon Town

#### TCE HOCKEY



VICTORIOUS: Invicta Dymanos beat the league leaders

## Mos take sting out of Hornets' tails in quest for league

INVICTA Dynamos took a significant step towards the English National Ice Hockey League (ENIHL) South with wins against Bracknell Hornets and Streatham Redskins at the weekend.

The Mos beat league leaders Bracknell 4-3 before thrashing rivals Streatham 7-2, extending their winning run to 11 games. Kevin Parrish's side remain second, but have slashed Bracknell's lead to a single point and have a crucial four games in hand.

Saturday's trip to the Hornets was potentially Invicta's biggest game of the season, with the squad knowing a victory would strike a psychological blow to their title rivals.

Despite the importance of the game, both sides showed a willingness to attack early on. The Mos enjoyed much of the early pres-Ross McDougall. The lead lasted just 14 seconds as Martin Melichercik fired home with a fierce first-time shot.

Andy Smith put the visitors in front a

minute into the second period. The Hornets levelled soon afterwards, but Elliot Andrews restored the slender lead on 27 minutes.

There was no shortage of attacking and Melichercik made it 4-2 in the 51st minute. The Hornets reduced the arrears within a minute to set up a tense finale, but the Mos held firm, to the delight of the sizeable travelling contingent.

On Sunday they looked to take full advantage with another victory against rivals Streatham. Smith put them ahead inside the first minute, but they failed to build on their advantage and the home side went in 2-1 down after the first period.

Normal service was resumed in the second period as Melichercik, Smith, Lewis Burke and Jamie Dancey netted. AJ Smith and Milan Kostolny completed the 7-2 victory in the final period.

The Mos visit Cardiff Dragons on Saturday and host Haringey Greyhounds on Sunday.

**CAMP INDIA:** Kent Academy director Phil Relf

## **Future pace bowlers** all set for Indian camp

#### CRICKET

FOUR of Kent's brightest young bowlers have an opportunity to be coached by Australian legend Dennis Lillee at the world renowned MRF pace bowling camp in India.

Two Academy players and two players on development contracts at the St Lawrence Ground are being given a chance to learn and hone their skills thanks to contributions from the Kent Supporters Club and Kent member Charlie Harris.

Academy players Matt Coles, 18, who plays his cricket with Hartley Country Club

and Adam Ball, 15, from Bexley, will be heading to Chennai, together with development contract players Phil Edwards, 24, from Gore

Court and Warren Lee, 21, from Blackheath.
Academy director Phil Relf, who will be leading the group to India, said it will be a big opportunity for Kent's future pace bowlers and that it couldn't have been done without the two benefactors.

"Indian conditions are demanding with the climate and different wickets so it will be a steep learning curve," he said. "We want to get as much time with Dennis Lillee as possible as that will be a valuable experience

They leave for the ten day trip on Friday. If you'd like to help sponsor the Academy, contact Phil Relf on 01227 456886.

## Medway back on form in the league after cup loss

#### **RUGBY**

#### Vigo 12 Medway 32

AFTER suffering the unfamiliar sensation of losing the previous weekend, Medway stayed top of Kent 1 with a convincing

victory against Vigo.

A defeat to Brighton in the EDF Junior
Vase was Medway's first reverse of any kind since the opening day of the season, but two tries in each half at Vigo ensured it had been

Just two points separated the two sides when they met earlier in the season and it looked like another close encounter was on the cards as neither side gave anything away during the first 20 minutes.

Glen Wadsworth finally broke the deadlock with a penalty and almost from the restart the visitors won a scrum ten metres out which led to James Reeves diving over. Wadsworth added the extras to make it 10-0.

Medway had the momentum and extended their lead further eight minutes before the interval when Roger Rhynheart fin-ished off a well-worked try, converted by Wadsworth.

Vigo got on the board before the break with an unconverted try to make it 17-5 to

The hosts' chances of getting back in the game all but disappeared early in the second half when they had two players sin binned for killing the ball. Medway took advantage by adding another ten points – a penalty and converted try, all from Wadsworth.



ON TARGET: Glen Wadsworth scored 17 points as Medway kept their league challenge on track

Billy Humphrey completed Medway's scoring with a try, before a late consolation

Victory kept Taff Gwilliam's side two points clear of Old Gravesendians, with a game in hand. They host sixth-placed Dartfordians at Priestfields on Saturday.

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